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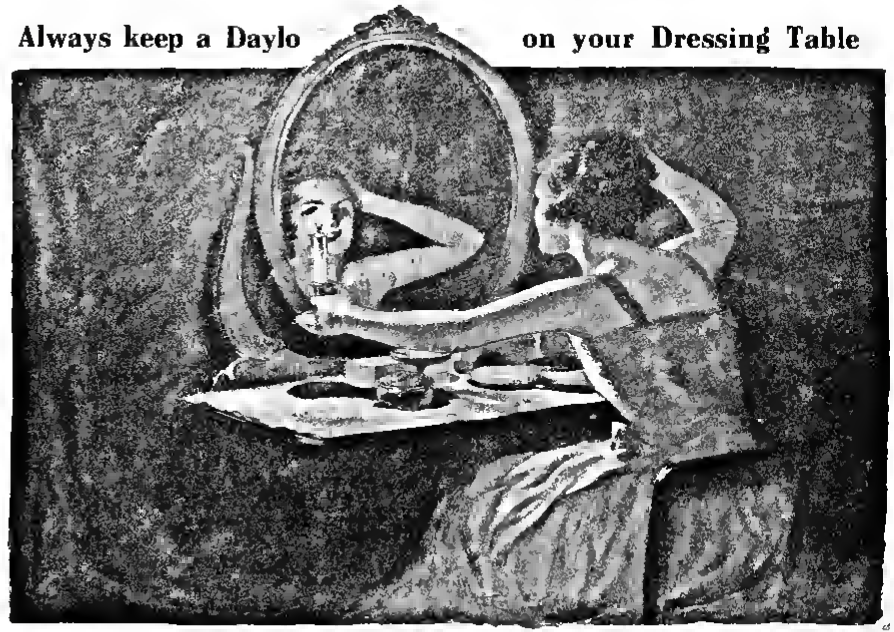
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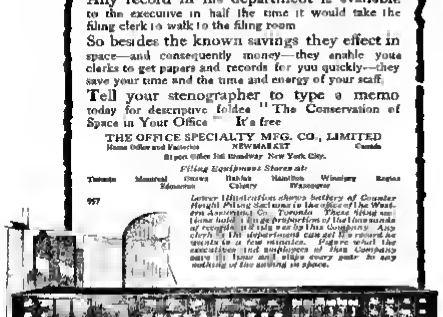
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Roth, "was originally very faulty. Yes it was—a really poor memory. On meeting a man I would lose his name in thirty seconds while now there are probably 10,000 men and women in the United States, many of whom I have met but once, whose names I can call instantly on meeting them."

"That is all right for you, Mr. Roth," I interrupted, "you have given years to it. But how about me?"

"Mr. Jones," he replied, "I can teach you the secret of a good memory in one evening. This is not a guess, because I have done it with thousands of pupils. In the first of seven simple lessons which I have prepared for home study I show you the basic principle of my whole system and you will find it—not hard work as you might fear—but just like playing a fascinating game. I will prove it to you."

He didn't have to prove it. His course did. I got it the very next day from his publishers, the Independent Corporation.

Mrs. Jones and I tackled the first lesson together. I had told her of my talk with Mr. Roth and she was as anxious as I to put his system to the test. We were simply astounded to find that we had learned—in about one hour—how to remember a list of one hundred words so that we both could call them off to each other forward and back without a single mistake.

Mrs. Jones became as fascinated with the lessons as I, and studied them while I was at business the next day. That evening she floored me with an impromptu exhibition of memory stunts which forced me to demand the exclusive right to the lessons for the evening. I couldn't let her get this advantage of me. She was delighted with what she had accomplished. I was forced to admit that she had leaped ahead of me in memory power with apparently no effort at all, and more surprising still, our twelve-year-old daughter, Genevieve, had read the first few lessons and had mastered the Roth's principles with ease. Do you blame me for insisting on a chance to catch up with my family?

What followed was the most stimulating,—this most interesting—thing that my household ever experienced. Those seven lessons have simply worked wonders with us and that isn't putting it a bit too strong.

For instance, I can now absolutely count on my memory to serve me promptly and without a flaw. I can tell the name of most any man I have met before—and I am getting better all the time. I can remember any figures I wish to remember. Telephone numbers come to my mind instantly once I have filed them by Mr. Roth's easy method. Street addresses are just as easy.

The old fear of forgetting (you know what that is) has vanished. I used to be "scared stiff" on my feet—because I wasn't sure. I couldn't remember what I wanted to say.

Now I am sure of myself, confident and "easy as an old shoe" when I get on my feet at the club or at a banquet or in a business meeting or in any social gathering. Read this letter, furnished me by the Independent Corporation when I volunteered to write up my experiences, and written by Terence J. McManus of the firm of Olcott, Bonynge, McManus & Ernst, attorneys and counsellors at law, 170 Broadway, and one of the most famous trial lawyers in New York.

> "May I take occasion to state that I regard your service in giving this system to the world as a public benefaction. The wonderful simplicity of the method and the ease with which its principles may be acquired especially appeal to me. Let me add that I already had occasion to test the effectiveness of the first two lessons in the preparation for trial of an important action in which I am about to engage."

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But perhaps the most enjoyable part of it all is that Mrs. Jones and myself have become really good conversationalists. I used to be as silent as a sphinx when I got into a crowd of people who knew things. And my wife tells me that she never got into a discussion or conversation among her friends, but what she was at a loss for the facts. New uses for her power of memory in both a practical and a social way are dawning on her every day.

Inside of a week after the course reached us she was amazed to see how her newly acquired ability helped her recall the countless things she had to remember. It has simplified her whole life. The infinite details of housekeeping smoothed themselves out wonderfully. She was surprised at how much more time she had for recreation — because she remembered easily and automatically her many duties at the time they should be remembered. And when evening came she missed much of the old "tired feeling" and was fresher than she had been in years.

At her club she became a leader because her fellow members could count on her to conduct club matters with a clear head and in orderly procedure.

In her social life Mrs. Jones began to win a popularity that she has never before dreamed of attaining. The reason was easy to understand — because she never forgot a name or a face once she was introduced—and this also made her a successful hostess — much to the admiration of her friends. In short, Mrs. Jones is developing her own perfectly good memory discovered the secret of success not only in housekeeping, but also in her social life.

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With me the Roth Method has become of tremendous value. I used to think that the "hair trigger" memory belonged only to the prodigy and genius. Now I see that every man of us has that kind of a memory if he only knows how to make it work right. I can call up like a flash of lightning most any fact I want right at the instant I need it most.

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THERE is only one cloud in the sky, see fly in the ointment—labor difficulties. It may be said that a situation which has for its one disturbing element, labor disorganization is after all not seriously wrong. Labor is the basis of everything and the business outlook depends to a very considerable degree indeed on the labor outlook.

After all, however, the outlook is not so serious. At time of writing the country is in the throes of strikes, which started on May Day. More are threatened. The Commission sojourning through the West is finding evidence everywhere of industrial unrest and of unemployment. On top of that it must be considered that a large percentage of our soldiers are still to be brought back from overseas and many of those who have already returned have not yet found any suitable employment, and yet in the face of all this, it is still possible to say that the situation is not really serious.

In the first place the unemployment is largely confined to one class. A demonstration was organized a few weeks ago in one of the largest Canadian cities, of men out of employment. The turn out was not nearly as large as had been expected and, more significant still, the men who lined up in the parade were predominantly foreign. Russians, Galicians, Poles, Austrians—they filled just only 50 occasional native-born Canadian was seen. All who watched the demonstration were impressed with this fact and it gave them considerable food for thought. It is said also that some of the strikers have been incited and largely supported by the foreigner in our midst. If a large share of our present labor uncertainty is due to the foreign element, then the solution is not as hard to find. It is almost entirely among the alien people that the Bolshevistic doctrine has been accepted and some of the manifestations of labor unrest are clearly a result of the work of the disciples of anarchy. One satisfactory feature is the fact that the returned soldier is taking little or no part in the self-imposed strikes. The soldier is against the alien and the insidious campaign of the Bolshevists to having no effect on him. The labor trouble, therefore, insofar as it is related to socialistic propaganda, is not likely to seriously affect the business outlook.

It would be unwise not to recognize however, that there is a real labor problem involved in the dissatisfaction of organized labor with present conditions. How far unemployment has bit into the ranks of real Canadian Labor is hard to say, but from such facts as are obtainable it would appear that there is not much actual unemployment. Organized labor is not satisfied with conditions and is agitating for improvements, further force labor is seriously oppressive of efforts to cut down wages. It is the belief of those who are closest in touch with the situation that a sincere effort to meet labor on reasonable grounds will be successful and that the process of reconstruction can be gone through in Canada without any clash or any notable sacrifices on either side.

With summer close at hand and an active building season commencing—speaking in a comparative sense—and with the demand for agricultural labor more and more insistent it should be possible to find employment for all who honestly desire it and at the same time to satisfy all reasonable demands on the part of organized labor.

THE most significant fact is the continued growth of savings deposits in Canadian banks. In August, 1914, the total was over six hundred million. Today it stands over a billion and it is continually growing. Even the heavy investments that the public made in Victory Bonds in 1917 and 1918 served as only pure y temporary checks to the upward trend. The following figures tell the story:

August 1914	$ 950,399,000
January, 1915	886,000,000
January, 1916	714,264,000
January, 1917	844,163,000
January, 1918	900,314,000
January 1919	930,000,000
March 1919	1,037,884,000

It must be figured also that the banks are carrying at the present time over $600,000,000 in demand accounts. In view of these figures it is apparent very clearly apparent, that the average Canadian family is enjoying a degree of affluence never attained before, for the savings account is the measure of the average man's prosperity.

It is significant also that conditions in business are becoming steadier. The uncertainty which has been felt with reference to prices is beginning to clear away. It is true that industrial prices are not going down indeed in some respects notably in clothing, they are still on the upgrade. In only one important line has there been a marked falling in price and that is steel. When it is figured that the steel industry has been enormously expanded to meet the demands of war, it is not hard to understand that prices have perforce gone down when demand has shrunk to about sixty per cent. of the pre-armistice total. It is asserted at least that the U S steel plants are now working at sixty per cent. capacity and this can be taken as an indication of the business in sight. In practically all other lines, however, the cessation of war left the world with large shortages from normal requirements and the demand has remained brisk enough to keep prices up.

As a result, there is less tendency to hold off from buying in the expectation of a drop. The retailer finding that demand keeps up and that prices are not going down is coming more readily into the market. He is not yet buying in quantity, but he is stocking up much more liberally than was his wont. Also contracts are being let for building. The idea that materials would slump off in price seems to have been abandoned for the year at least. In other words the idea that a sudden and precipitate drop might come has been

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A simple principle which, when applied to everyday talking and writing, gives words a power to influence men's minds

It's a funny thing how you'll run into people you know in the most unexpected places. While dodging a speeding automobile on Broadway one day, who should I run into but my old friend Mortimer. He was the last man I ever expected to see in New York. Nine years ago I had known him in a little town in Iowa. He was then struggling along with a small business of his own and was barely making a living.

Then we met on Broadway. In answer to my question as to what end how he was doing he exclaimed, "*Great! I get ten dollars for every word I speak!*"

"*You get what?*" I shot back, dumbfounded. But he cut short my further questioning with "Come to my hotel just across the street and I'll tell you all about it."

* * * * *

In a handsome suite in one of the most expensive hotels in New York Mortimer told me his whole story, and an amazing one it was. He had struggled along with his failing business and had run deeply in debt. Then one day, just as his creditors were about to close him out, he ran on to something which changed his whole career. *It had to do with influencing people.*

Immediately after making his discovery he called together his creditors, who were hitherto opposed to him. By applying his new-found idea he not only induced them to hold off legal proceedings, but won their cordial goodwill. And then on top of all this, he induced them to loan him $25,000 in actual cash. All this Mortimer did in a few hours.

Mortimer then decided to apply his idea in selling. Formerly when he called on prospects he showed a discouraging lack of interest in his talk. But now, thanks to the new idea, it was different. Prospects showed an intense interest in what Mortimer had to say. They were eager to listen. And in less than an hour he usually walked out with a substantial order in his pocket.

The remarkable thing about it all was that he sold to identically the same people who had turned him down before. With only a few variations to fit his talk to the man he sold to the same thing to each man he called on. He obtained large orders with surprising and unusual regularity. He talked his regular selling talk to me. It sounded so remarkably persuasive that I called in the hotel stenographer and had it taken down. Later I counted the words. And, sure enough, it worked out just as Mortimer said. On his orders for a period of a month, he actually averaged ten dollars for every word he spoke. And he did this not once or occasionally, but as a regular month in and month out practice. He told me of one case where he secured a $20,000 order, and he said less than a thousand words to get it—$20 a word!

No doubt about it, Mortimer had acquired the knack of swinging big orders with comparatively little effort. His success, he told me, had enabled him to concentrate on big contracts, as, with his new method he actually found it easier to land orders running into the thousands than it formerly was to obtain the usual run of small-fry orders.

* * * *

All this Mortimer told me in the hotel as I listened spellbound. It seemed almost unbelievable. Yet he showed me sheets of duplicate orders, each running into the thousands to prove what he said. And then he offered to take me out with him to see him do what he had told me. One whole week we spent in calling on people. And two-thirds of these calls worked out just as Mortimer said they would. He simply talked to his prospects in an ordinary tone of voice. In a few minutes they would become fired with enthusiasm for his proposition and often cut short his talk in their eagerness to order.



His talk sounded so remarkably persuasive that a kind of token down by the hotel stenographer.

Naturally I was astounded at what I saw Mortimer do. I pressed him for details of his great discovery which had lifted him up from impending bankruptcy to national success and had given him such an amazing power over men.

He told me. Like all great things that work it's simple. It is this: *He found out a single principle which, if learned in mind in talking or writing, will give words an almost magic power to influence men's minds.*

To most people, words are just words and talk is just talk. Mortimer had always looked at it this way until he made his great discovery. Then he found that there were certain combinations of words which when arranged in the right way would literally sweep people off their feet and make them do anything you want them to do. It was by using this principle in all his conversation that Mortimer exercised such a magic power over men and was able to do such astounding things.

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SINCE that eventful meeting with Mortimer, I've used his principle to accomplish lots of remarkable things for myself. To start with I used it in selling. My sales trebled instantly. Then, I had long wanted our firm to make certain changes in the product, but they wouldn't see things my way. I had another talk with our president and based it on Mortimer's principle. He quickly agreed to change the product, and it has helped the firm greatly as well as myself and the other men.

Considerable friction existed in the office on account of "office politics" and petty jealousies. I smoothed it all out—got everyone to working hand in hand—simply by talking the love together and basing my talk on Mortimer's principle.

About this time a close friend of mine was asked to run for president of our club. At the last moment a "dark horse" loomed up and his chances looked very slim. He came to me and told me that he couldn't stand the humiliation of defeat. So I got around among the members and talked to them on the basis of Mortimer's principle. The result was surprising as well as gratifying. Eighty per cent of the club members voted for my friend and he won with a landslide.

In hundreds of other ways I've used Mortimer's principle to push me ahead in business—to sell more goods—to collect "hopeless" debts—to head off competition—to smooth out kinks in every day life—to write magnetic and compelling letters and advertisements—to win the active friendship of almost anyone I desire—to get people to believe in me and to get them to do almost anything I want them to do.

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THE beauty of it all is that it is so simple. The principle is so easy to understand as A B C. And *when you know it you can, in less than an hour begin to apply it to all your dealings with people and influence their minds in a way that will astound you—just as it astounded me.*

But what is the principle? And how did Mortimer discover it? That's as simple as the principle itself. He ran across it in Dr. Law's "Mastery of Speech," a Course in Business Talking and Public Speaking. He advised me to get it. I did and I never can thank him enough for having put me in touch with it. For it enabled me to do all the remarkable things I've told you about.

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The INVESTMENT SITUATION

By H. M. Black, Montreal Editor *The Financial Post*

THE general feeling in the investment market is improving month by month. The dread recnace of Bolshevism looms less and less. While unrest in labor circles in Canada continues to break out in strikes in many of the larger cities, employers have tempered their attitude with a broader fairer more co-operative vision and settlements follow each day as a rule. The market appears to accept a strike now as merely a forerunner of satisfactory adjustment with little fear of a dislocation of business.

The strongree confidence in the business outlook reflects itself in the steady upward movement in the stock markets. During the past week over a dozen securities established new high records, and the end is not in sight. A New York broker told me a couple of days ago that Wall Street between the high boom level of the fall of 1916 fell on an average 44 points to the low of 1917, and early in May this year only half way mwnh 22 points we had been reached. He looked for a further "bull" movement and most Wall Street men agree. In Canada expect business in notions, floor woollen lines, sugar, etc., is reacting favorably generally on the special securities involved but on almost the whole market.

With this renewed activity the buying of Victory bonds has fallen off slightly, but not the price. Holders should not sell below the following ranges, at the time of writing:

1923	100	—100½
1928	100¼	—100⅝
1927	102	—102¼
1926	104¼	—104
1937	106	—106⅛

Until the items of the September loan are announced, Victory Bonds may be a little quiet. In any case with the 20-year loan at a premium of 6 points no more than it is likely that a long term, 5½ per cent, tax free bond will be issued. If tax exemption is maintained the interest is likely to go back to 5½ per cent. at the most, although if tax exemption is not a feature of the new bonds 5½ per cent. may be retained as high as this is going to be in comparison now with first-class municipal issues. In any case the change is likely to cause u further rise in Victory Bonds.

ENQUIRIES have been received during the month in reference to a safe investment in preferred stocks in reply to recent comments in this column. One from Winnipeg reads in part as follows:

Re yann antiele on the Investmoee Situa tion. Would like to get o oombon of the preferred Canadian stocks, something that would yield 7 per cent. on over. I am looking for a good safe investment. t have already $2 000 in Victory bonds on thought t would like to spread my investment.

Another one from the East is worded in part as follows:

As a reader of MacLean's Magazine, t am asking your advice as to which is the best Canadian preferred stock to buy as an investment. Some preferred stock that one can buy may not get away with the assurance that the dividends will come in regularly and yet allowing a better yield than bonds or even an advancement in the value of the stock would be doubly welcome t have in mind something like Penmans, Canada Steamships Dominion Canners etc.

In the letter letter these stocks were suggested by the inquiren sed ie so far as their relative strength is concerned I agree with the anden canned but would alter nely the first mentioned as an absolutely safe investment that is Penmans. The stock stands the double test that I think should be applied by anyone offering advice as to an investment: not only does it rest ne e strong basis now, with a future apparently assured, but it has successfully passed through years of testing in times of depression as well as prosperity and has stood the test well.

Canada Steamships preferred has had a comparatively brief career and what many consider abnormal prosperity during the war. Up until a few weeks ago it was selling neoand 76-78 while gay ing 7 per cent. on mich share or giving a yield of ahout 9 per cent.—one of the highest yielding preferred stocks on the market. The low price was due to the fact that public confidence was not yet strong enough to drive it up to 90 or 95. Since then it has advanced at date of writing to 84½, and may go higher very soon. But it will be several years before it can be classed among the "tried" investments.

Dominion Canners fluctuates too much in its seasonre fortunes to be recommended just now as a stock in Penmans class. It is dopendent too much on vacations in its raw materials, and at times in the past, has been at least as much a "speculative" as "independent" company as its competitors. Its yearly profits lack uniformity and it is barely a year since it was carrying arrears on its prefennnce stock. The speculative element presents itself far more than in the case of Penmans, or even Canada Steamships.

In oddition to Penmans I suggested the following preferred stocks:

DOMINION TEXTILE

Outstandin$ $1 925 975, 7 per cent. Price at time of writing 101 now 106-107. Strongly backed but at present price yields only 6.5 to 6.6 per cent.

DOMINION COAL

Outstanding $3 000 000 7 per cent. Selling at about par, or armistice 94½-96. Yields a little over 7 per cent.

DOMINION STEEL

Outstanding $7 000 000 6 per cent. marshal price about par. Sec guaranteed by bonds. Yields over 6 per cent.

CANADA CEMENT

Outstanding $10 000 000 7 per mnt. market price at time of armistice 95¾; present price 100 to 100. Yield there fore is about 7 per cent.

Of almost equal standing with these as a 7 per cent. issue, in the last issue of Maclean's Trade my theorizer, which sell a shade above par and yield 7 per cent. The fact that these are an intimately related to the Montreal Tramway Company's agreement with the city places them in a unique position as that they virtually have the City of Montreal behind Tramway debentures, which gives them a maximum bond (although an industrial) in the market.

Of course an advancement is the value of the stock would be doubly welcome t

$10,000 TO INVEST

An inquiry sent to this department (128 Bleury St., Montreal) asks for advice as to how best invest $10,000. A variety of replies from investment brokers in Canada will be published and analyzed in next month's issue

THE magazine coming to ren from MacLean's Magazine readees cover a wide range, but all are welcome With the revival of interest in gold mining, naturally information is coming as to the prospects of this mine or that. Mining

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HOBSON'S HARD START

How the Hamilton Steel Master Made His Debut

By WILLIAM BYRON

THE time has long passed when business was thought devoid of romance. It is easy now that the amazing kaleidoscope of modern business offers more intense drama and more picturesque phases than can be found in any other direction. Any man who has won his way to the top easy of the Industrial ladder—no matter how successful headed and prosaic he may appear—must have lived through experiences that, for sheer interest exceed anything in fiction. Most of our industrial captains would probably deny this, but watch any one of them in a reminiscent mood and the stories that drop forth will be sufficient proof.

Take, for instance, the story of how Robert Hobson came to go into the iron business and the struggle he had to establish himself there. Mr. Hobson is to-day the president of the Steel Company of Canada and easily figures among the first half-dozen industrial magnates of the Dominion. A little over twenty years ago he knew practically nothing about iron and steel and had absolutely no intention of ever engaging in any business outside of railroading. The story of his jump and of the fight he found himself engaged in is one of intense interest, even when sketched in bare outlines. Perhaps some day Mr. Hobson will be induced to tell it himself. In the meantime let us present the story as fan as it has been possible to tears it.

First Engaged in Railroading

ROBERT Hobson was the son of Joseph Hobson, the famous railroad engineer who left the St. Clair tunnel as a monument to his skill. It was natural that the son should choose to follow in the footsteps of the father, and for twenty years Robert Hobson was employed in the engineering department, first of the Great Western and later of the Grand Trunk. When Charles M. Hays became president of the latter road, he placed Mr. Hobson aanke in charge of the engineering department. This nurest tested a move to Montreal for both. Robert Hobson had been in Montreal a few days only when he received an urgent message from his father in law, Hon. A. T. Wood of Hamiltoe to return to that city as Secretary Treasurer of a new company which had been formed, the Hamilton Iron and Steel Co.

He was not anxious to make the change in fact, he was very loth to undertake the new proposition. He liked railroading, and he didn't know anything about iron, he perhaps distrusted his ability to make a success in that line. Nevertheless, after due reflection, he decided to try it and so returned to Hamilton after a stay of only fifteen days in Montreal.

The Company Was Shaky

THIS was in January 1896 and the business world of tbce emerging half-heartedly from the black depression of 1893 was slipping down hill again toward the depression of '97. It was a bad time for business generally and most particularly bad for the Hamilton Iron and Steel Co. The new Secretary-Treasurer soon found himself in cathee a sorry plight.

It wasnt so much that he knew nothing about iron. The worst feature of it was that the company was in badly involved condition and the plant required a complete reorganization. The formation of the concern dates as fae back that it can be stated now without heeling anybody's feelings that the promotion had been loosely carried out. A group of Americans had come and promoted the proposition, interesting Hamilton capital for the most part. After putting up a plant along the Bay—on the site of the present enormous steel plant—they had drawn out themselves and left the local men holding the bag. It was a rathee forlorn proposition all around.

Mr. Hobson had not been on the ground long before he found out a number of things about the ranneen. He went to the local men who were most heavily interested.

"We re practically insolvent," he told them. "There will have to be a reorganization of the company and new capital. That's your problem. So for we haven't produced pig iron of a quality that can be sold so we'll have to completely reorganize our production plans. That's my problem."

The fact of the matter was that the promoters had not attempted to put the concern on a going basis. They had drawn in local capital on the plea that all Canadian coal could be used. Much of the coal being used when the new Secretary Treasurer took charge came from Eastern Ontario. These ores were not sufficient by themselves to produce a satisfactory pig iron, being sulphurous magnetic.

Mr. Hobson's first step was to go to Cleveland, where he called upon Colonel Pickands, the president of Pickands, Mathee & Co., the greatest ore handling coreeen in the world. He found the Colonel a very rooetsnee old gentleman who had fought with distinction for the North through the Civil War and who asseried into business the most highly chivalrous principles. His reception was most cordial.

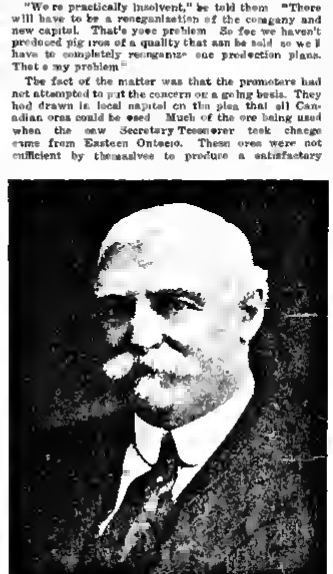
"Colonel," he said, "I have just been put in charge of an iron plant that's in pretty bad shape. I don't know the first thing about iron and, so far as I know yet, I'm not a business man. So I've come to you."

"That case," asked Colonel Pickands with a twinkle in his eye. "It looks as though we would have to look after you. Just what can we do?"

"All I want is some information," said Hobson. "I want to find out how to make pig iron."

Colonel Pickands called in his experts and when they had found out the kind of pig iron to be produced, they told the visitor what ores to see, where to buy them, and how to combine them to get the desired result. He relied so implicitly on the information thus secured that he proceeded to place orders for the required ores before peoceeding back to Canada.

Although there have been close relations between the two companies ever since Mr. Hobson anee saw Colonel Pickande again. The fine old soldier died shortly after.



Robert Hobson, President of the Steel Company of Canada.

Finding a Market Difficult

SO the future Steel president returned to Hamilton with the first of his difficulties solved. He had found out the right kinds of ore to use and he had confidence in his ponkef for adequate supplies. The next step was to procure the pig iron. The head foreman men who had been placed in charge by the promoters was a good natured Southerner and the plant was not well organized nr efficiently run. He had to be replaced. In fact several changes had to be made and finally the staff was organized on a basse that made satisfactory production possible. The pay roll at this time numbered 112 in all.

Having at last an article that could be offered for sale the next problem was to find a market. The office staff numbered three—Mr. Hobson a bookkeeper and an office boy; nevertheless the hard working Secretary-Treasurer decided to constitute himself a sales boere as well. His first serious effort to secure business took the form of a trip to Montreal. He called first on the head buyer of one of the large manufacturing plants. The man looked at him in amazement when he lauched his errand.

"Good God, man!" he exclaimed. "People come to Montreal to buy iron, not to sell it."

This of noerse was a fair statement of fact. Most of the pig iron used in Montreal at that time came from the Maritimes and from England and Scotland. It came in Montreal which then served as a distributing point for all of Canada.

"I know," retorted Mr. Hobson genially, "but I am in a position to sell iron in Montreal."

He was. The plant was now producing a grade of iron that could be marketed at a price that made it worth while even in the centre of the iron industry. Mr. Hobson returned with orders in his pocket and the first glimmerings of hope in his mind.

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THE WINGS *of the* MORNING

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IN all circumstances a philosopher aught to be composed; the dominie was a philosopher, yet a glance would have told that he was deeply, painfully pentarbed. He sat crouched over his desk his chin on his hands, his face an epitome of acute distress. For a full half-hour he had sat thus—mute, motionless, miserable. Spread out on the desk before him was a letter, the manifest and immediate cause of his distress.

It was Friday afternoon, and still with the stillness of golden sunshine and perfect summer peace. The school room was as silent as the tomb. Outside among the leaves not a bird twittered; the very winds were asleep. The day's work, the week's work, was done. The scholars had all gone. Nearly an hour earlier the last whoop of the emancipated boys had been swallowed by the all-devouring silence, leaving the master alone with his trouble.

Taking up the letter, he read it for the twentieth time. It was not addressed to him, and, properly speaking, did not concern him at all, yet it had thrown his whole world into confusion as by the sudden convulsive upheaval of an earthquake.

"Poor Margaret!" he murmured, laying down the letter with a sigh that seemed to be torn from the very roots of his being, "poor Margaret!"

He rose as he spoke, and stepping to the nearest window looked out. The school stood high against a background which was a panorama of unpurpled hills with peeping farms behind, now lightly azure in the azure distance. Up there, between him and the sky line, was Margonet Gordon, as yet unconscious of what the Weird Sisters had spun for her.

"Poor Margaret!" he repeated on a heaving heartthrob. "My poor Maggie!"

Tuneling away he paced up and down the room with jerky, irregular steps that sounded eerie and hollow in the emptiness. His thoughts were now on another track.



When he ventured to look up again—Margaret Gordon stood blenched and rigid.

EARLY in the afternoon Sir Hector had broken in on the humming hobel of sabalare and left the fatefal letter.

"We can't talk of it now," said the baronet. "Come down to the castle in the evening, and we'll discuss it. Come and dine with me; I am all alone."

This pain aught to have been separated by all the rigid impassable conventions which mask off the tended proprieties with wide possessions of "brown heath and shaggy wood" (mostly brown heath) and a pedigree antedating the Flood from the village schoolmasters with no patent of nobility save that stamped upon him by his Createn. But to the nonfusion of feele and the scandal of snobs, they were fast friends, and often smoked a pipe together in animated, most amicable disagreement. To the discerning public eye the baronet appeared a long lean relic of feudalism, with the figure of Don Quixote and the temper of Hotspue. To the same discernment the dominie was—just a dominie with a reserved manner, a cauntin tongue (if pint to it) a deal of superfluous learnings and a love secret which kept him a bachelor. But the two men had the all important mutual understanding and appreciation which Cesero forgot to mention when dilating on the essentials of friendship.

"There is not an atom of the toady in nor good dominie," the baronet declared admiringly. He seldom fawns nay flatters, and he might afford—even of me. When I blaw off steam he just smiles. Yes, decidedly I like and respect Thomas Dunning."

"Fiery and a bit sulphurous whiles, said the dominie of the baronet. "No denying it. But I'll tell you this, he's the very man I'd go to for a favor."

Thae two utterly dissimilar men may admire each othee to the point of affection.

The dominie received the invitation to dine with the remark: "Yeo drese for dinner, Sin Heeton. I don't."

"Confrand yes, what does it matten how you dress?" was the retort. "Come in pyjamas if you like or if you like some just in your garters. You must help me in this business. That's all."

"Of neunse, if!——coursing. It's a way frandalent lawyers have, which I don't like. Some son of Ananias in London has sent me a new brend ar blend of tobacco to sample. We can test it and talk. Any way, come."

II

THE dominie went, and that evening Sir Hector did not dress for dinner. When the servants had gone and the two were thickly enveloped in smoke, the baronet remarked from the midst of the cloud: "Well, you'll go and tell her?"

"I'd say it a verra place to do that," was the reply.

The baronet fanned aside the smoke to see if his friend could be in earnest. "My place! How an earth can I tell her? I put it to you frankly, Dunning, how the devil can a man have the face to sympathise with a woman to whom he she thinks he has behaved badly?"

"Not easy for a gentleman, certainly," agreed the dominie.

"Gentleman!" snorted the baronet. "We'll let that fly at sticks to the wall, if you please. You know how things are between us?"

"Yes, I understand she is under notice to go."

"She was," corrected the baronet. "It's a long story. You'll admit Duncan, her late husband, wasn't exactly an angel in temper especially when he was in drink. If all tales be true, neither am I—even when I'm sober. Maybe even angels fall out whiles, just to clear the atmosphere. Anyway Duncan and I didn't get on too well together, and it didn't mend matters that M'Watter the factor was always coming to me with tales of arrears of rent. After the husband came the son, and things were worse. As the old dog snarls the young one learns to show its teeth. The father scowled at me; the son defied me. One day I think he was for thrashing me—and his mother a tenant in arrears with rent!"

"Foolish, but not cowardly," said the dominie significantly.

He thought of another encounter of which the baronet was ignorant. The youngheir home from Eton for a holiday met Aleck Gordon. Old feuds took fire, and there was a fight. Eton was the heavier weight, yet Eton suffered defeat—and died bravely in explanation of results. Ever after the dominie, who knew all, thought well of Eton.

"Aleck Gordon was no coward," said the baronet decisively. "We have proof of that. But any frai has he wise after the event. If I was mistaken in him, possibly he was mistaken in me. Two much mistakes, and you have hate in the making. M'Watten was for getting rid of the whole breed, and I encouraged. That is the extent of my crime. Now there comes this, and—and I'm bowled over. So you'll go and face Margaret Gordon for me, Dunning? Tell her the laws of M'Watter will be here easily to-morrow morning, and I'll tell him and the lawyen body in Aberfourie will be instructed to the same effect. Honor and gratitude can do no less."

"Don't speak of them," said the dominie.

"Then go and tell Margaret Gordon that yourself," insisted the dominie. "It will be one of the finest things you ever did."

"No, I won't, because I can't. Pride, you say. No, sir, cowardice—pure cowardice. You see, she'd be bound to cry, and I'd lose my head and skedaddle. Nice tit-bit for the gossips, eh? No, you'll go. I ask it as a favor. And look here, Dunning, as to the future: let it be whatever you think proper in the circumstances. You see what my boy says. 'For my sake, do all you can.' There are certain things I cannot do—would that I could; but what I can I will do. There will be little enough, seeing what I owe. I'd send M'Watter only bad be ever more of on ess than myself. Besides, I remember that Margaret Gordon and you are old friends."

"Yes," said the dominie with a sudden twitch of the features, "very old friends."

"Old friends are best in a crisis," said the baronet. "So to-morrow you will do me the favor of going to Margaret Gordon."

To-morrow, Sin Hector," replied the dominie. "I will go to Margaret Gordon."

III.

NEXT morning often a restless, sleepless night, the dominie rose to face the most trying ordeal of his life. Janet, his elderly gaunt and active housekeeper, complained that although she prepared a breakfast "fit for a prince" he paid her the ill compliment of leaving it almost untouched.

"And mercy on us, Mn Dunning," she cried, coming to a sudden halt before him, "what's happened that your collar a' bindy"

She recalled his strange aspect of the day before, and was terrified by thoughts of attempted suicide.

"I—I must have put myself in thaving," he returned, lamely as Janet felt.

"Ayes," she said still cold with the suicide theory "razors are once uncheancy things." It was in her mind to hide his and let him go unshaved—at any rate until he should receive his wits.

He put on another collar and went out, remarking that as he did not know when he would return, Janet need not trouble about dinner for him. This was confirmation of her worst fears.

"Poor, dotted thing what's come over him?" she thought watching him as he went. 'A' last night I remid hear him tramp, tramp in his room when he should have been sleeping, on this morning no breakfast and a face like a ghosts. It's for the hill he is," she added, noting his direction, and instantly a cold shiver went through her at thought of a certain tarn of evil name that was just the place for a wanid be suicide. 'I a soaked dengied nory—it fairly gies me the nauld grue just to think o't."

She had an impulse to rush after him, and by sheer force if persuasion failed, compel him to come hesh.

Lacking courage, for the dominie was not a man to be lightly meddled with, she went inside to her housework instead.

Meanwhile all unconscious of the tenors he inspired, the dominie climbed the steep slope above the school house. One out of sight, he sat down took Sir Hector's letter from his pocket, and read it as a man might read his own death warrant.

"He should have some himself," he muttered. "Yes, he should have come himself. Yet not that either, for above all things in the world, Thomas Dunning wished to be with Margaret Gordon in the crisis of her fate.

He went on again, cold at heart, though the sun shone warmly. When at last he sighted High Croft nestling in the little green dip of the hills its windows and whitewashed walls gleaming in the brilliant light, he stopped as if afraid to proceed. Then with a sudden gush of courage he hurried on like one hypnotized by the very dread and peril of his enterprise.

IV

ROGEB the collie spied him from afar, and rushed forth all bonk and bristle, but midway his ears fell back and his tail began to wag joyously. Next instant he was liking the dominie's hand as an apology for his unpremeditated rudeness. For the master was no stranger at High Croft. A maid followed the dog, gazed a moment at the approaching figure, and disappeared. When the dominie reached the door Margaret Gordon herself was there to welcome him.

"Having a Saturday slardae Tem," she remarked almighty in response to the salutation of the soft slouch hat. 'It's bennie among the hills the day, isn't it?"

"Yes, one of the days that come just to show what the Highlands can be in a good mood," he returned. 'How are you, Maggie?'

In the presence of others she was Mrs. Gordon, and he was Mn Dunning, but by themselves she was still Maggie, and he was still Tom.

"I mustn't complain," she answered. Srets fashins In the national creed of hen rountry complaint in the matten of feeling is tantamount to a reflection on Providence, which is stranity forbidden." "Come away in by and rest. It's a warm pull up here on sush a day."

She tanned and he followed her into the room "which in nunal Scotland is the equivalent for the city drawing-room on paelon. 'You'll be fain having something?" she added, setting him a chair.

'No thank you, Maggie. I haven't long breakfasted."

"A drink of milk at least' she coaxed. He had a glass of milh which was nine-tenths cream because he was thinsey. Not to please her, and incidentally to vally and compose his own fluttering faculties. As he drank he watched her face. When he knew that she had been raid-ent with a beauty that might have made Helen jeal ous, but time and trouble had sorely spoi it giving it a look of settled, wistful sadness such as beauti ful faces sometimes wear. It wore the habitual look now.

"She doesn't know anything," he told himself. How was he to tell her?

"Any news from Alech lately?" he asked in the ordinary tone of ordinary conversation.

"A letten two days ago," she replied. "Here it is. Read it for yourself."



"Then go and tell Margaret Gordon that yourself"—insisted the dominie

IT was a letter written with Cæsarean brevity. The writer was in 'the thick af it,' and he was glad to say the Rachan were getting something of what they deserved. He was well and would write again just as soon as he could. He often thought of High Croft and his mother. She was not to worry. He thought of his friends too, and the night before had dreamed of the master, a funny dream about fighting Sir Hector.

As he handed back the letter the dominie had a painful lump in his throat.

"It's comforting to think he's been spared to me so far," said Margaret simply. "God can save on the battlefield as well as on the quiet hill side."

The dominie coughed, thinking of that ethen letten in his pocket. Then he blew his nose with a force that was like a sudden explosion, and a close observer might have sworn that a corner of the big bandana handkerchief swept his eyes.

"I happened to see Sin Hecton last night," he said with some difficulty. He had just got a letter from young Mn Heeton and he mentions Aleck.'

"Good news?" she asked quickly.

"Yes, good news. He could say so much truthfully and the relief was infinite. 'What do you think Maggie? Aleck's won the V.C.'"

The V.C.," she repeated. "That's a big honor, isn't it, Tom?"

"It's the one honor that every soldier covets," was the reply. It's ten valne, Maggie—fan valen!" he repeated in a thrilling voice. "The whole army salutes the man who gets the V.C., be he private or general."

"Ay!" she said, as if trying to understand what she heard. 'Just before going out Aleck was speaking that way I was wiping my eyes a wee 'Never mind mother, saye he, 'maybe I'll get the V.C. Don't be downhearted. I'll make a proud woman of you yet.' That was how he tolked.'

"And he's done it," said the dominie. 'He's done it. You are proud, Maggie. Any woman would be."

She whipped away a tear mothers will have moist eyes when they are overcome with joy. "Yes, as you say any woman would be proud. I used to think Sir Heeton and the rest of them were a little hard on Alrek. But we'll not speak of that. You'll notice he says nothing about the honan himself."

The dominie explained that in wartime the postal authorities indulge in vagaries of teansit.

"Aleck must have won it just after he wrote," he said. "You see, Mn Heeton's letten may have had letten luck in getting through quick. Anyway, your boy has won the V.C.'

"And what was it for?" she asked eagerly. "What did Aleck do to win what the whole army reveres?"

The dominie regarded hen a moment as if speculating how she would take the answer.

"He saved young Mn Heeton's life," he said then.

"Saved young Mn Heeton's life!" she repeated, her eyes wide with amazement.

"Yes. As you know they have been out there together. In the heat of the fighting Mr. Hecton was badly wounded, and lay where he fell. When the fight was over Aleck saw him, went out under fire, and nannied him back to safety."

"That was lost Aleck all over," said Margaret, 'and you know what took place between them at home here!" She smiled wistfully, her smile out the dominie to the heart.

"Aleck didn't stay to think of that," he returned. "He just went and did as his own brave and generous heart prompted. That is always the way of heroes."

"It's hard for his old mother to understand it all," she remarked as if such mysteries were beyond her simplicity. But Mr. Heeton wrote it, and so it must be true. What else does the letter say? Is Alenh safe?"

THE dominie's heart stood still. In a sense he could answer: "Yes, Aleck is safe," but not as she would have it.

Hee eyes were fixed upes him. She saw that he hesitated. She saw also that his face had become seaned and drawn as in a sudden spasm of pain and her mother's intinition flashed in alarm.

"Tem" she cried a quick tannon in voice and face, "you have ill news as well as good. Noo anything happened to Aleck? Is he also wounded? Tell me. Don't don't keep mn in suspense!"

He rose and took a step towonde han she too, rising. He would have taken her in his arms, but that the prophecies Zaheeb. Once she had nestled in them and been exquisitely happy but that was long, long ago, and everything was different naw.

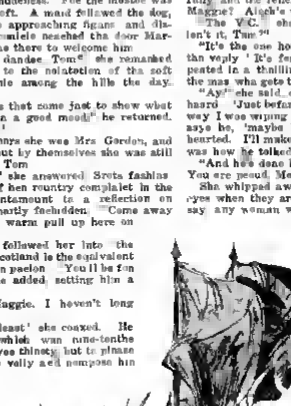
They got in quite safely" he said strunding against a shaking consternation of the throat. "Then—hn head swam, and it seemed the nun was thick with dazzling sparks of fire. "Then—just as Aleck was laying Me Heeton down a nniper's bullet!——

"I it Aleck?" she gasped.

"It Aleck."

"And—and killed him."

The dominie bowed his head fanning to look lets the stricken agonized face before him.



A small, trembling figure, lost in the sea of uniforms.

V.

WHEN he ventured to look up again Margaret Gordon stood blenched and rigid on hen clutching the back of the chare from which she had just risen. He took her gently by the arm. "Sit down Maggie" he said softly.

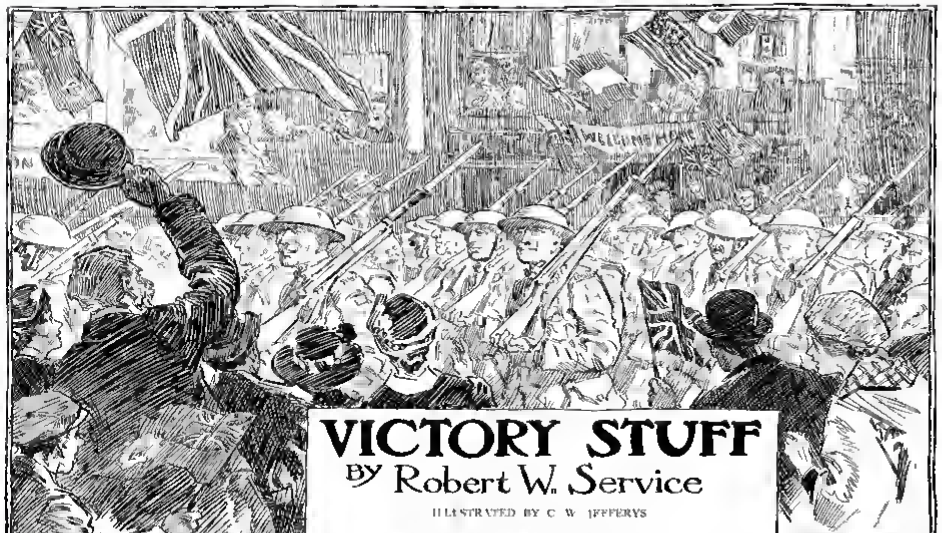
She obeyed mechanically and the dominie sat beside her. She did not seem to be aware that he was there, that he held her hand and was chafing it in an anguish of sympathy. From her lips came a low moan, as from the martyrs as ary of a breaking heart.

"Margaret" he whispered. "Dear Maggie the mother of a hero cannot let he brave."

"Aleck is dead" she said as if that were the end of all things.

"He died nobly and gloriously," said the dominie.

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VICTORY STUFF

By Robert W. Service

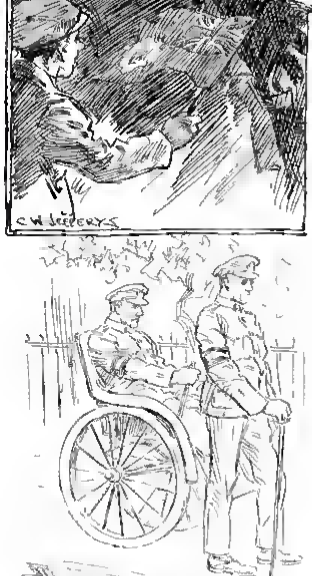
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What d'ye think, lad, what d'ye think
As the roaring crowds go by?
As the banners flare and the brasses blare
And the great guns rend the sky?
As the women laugh like they'd all gone mad
And the champagne glasses clink
Oh, you're gripping me hand so tightly, lad,
I'm a wonderin' what d'ye think?

D'ye think o' the boys we used to know
And how they'd have topped the fun?
Tom and Charlie, and Jack and Joe,
Gone now, every one
How they'd have cheered as the joy bells chime
And they grabbed each girl for a kiss!
And now—they're rotting in Flanders slime
And they gave their lives—for *this*

Or else d'ye think of the many a time
When we wished we too was dead
Up to our knees in the freezin' grime,
With the fires of hell overhead?
When the youth and the strength of us sapped away
And we cursed in our rage and pain—
And yet—we haven't a word to say—
We're *glad*. We'd do it again

I'm scared that they pity us. Come, old boy
Let's leave them their flags and their fuss
We'll surely be hating to spoil their joy
With the sight of such wrecks as us
Let's slip away quietly, you and me
And we'll talk of our chums out there
You wild your eyes that I never see
Me that's wheeled in a chair.







THE MENACE IN THE SOUTH

By Agnes C. Laut

BOLSHEVISM has gripped Mexico. Superimposed on the disorder and terrorism which have been the lot of the people for many years, it has created a condition there that cannot be described only as chaos. The lives and property of the foreign population, mostly American and Canadian, are jeopardized. More serious still, Mexico is being made the starting point from which the contagion of Bolshevism may spread.

Therefore, the affairs of Mexico cannot be regarded as foreign to Canadians. Divided from that land by a hemisphere, Canada has yet a vital interest in the settling of the disorder that is making Mexico a menace to all North America.

The United States is in the position of the man who sees his neighbor's house afire and the wind setting in his own direction. Canada is one lot farther removed but, if the fire is not stopped, it will ultimately reach there.

I was eight weeks in Mexico and I saw and heard things that will probably not be credited. I want to set some of them down, however, so that Canada may gain some conception of the menace in the South.



Mexican troops on the move. This is a typical troop train.

EDITOR'S NOTE—*Miss Laut has just returned from an eight weeks trip to Mexico. She found conditions there so extremely grave that "the menace in the south" extends even as far north as Canada. Mexico is not only torn with racial dissension and revolutionary fury, but is rapidly passing into the hands of the Bolshevists. In consequence a serious menace is being created for the whole North American continent, and Miss Laut gives a vivid picture of Mexico as it is today.*

TEN years ago there had settled in Mexico more than 4,000 Americans. Some had taken out their Mexican papers. Others retained their American citizenship. They were there as mine owners as mine workers or engineers or railroad operators or promoters or as ranchers or workers and owners of coffee plantations or sugar plantations, of cotton factories and sugar mills. They had been welcomed to Mexico by the Diaz Government. They had put into Mexico thirty years of thrift and work and capital savings; and they were re-investing their accrued profits in Mexico. Today where are these 40,000 American settlers in Mexico? Run out at the point of a bayonet, robbed and looted and "revolutioned" by bandits by revolutionary bands; by Carranza soldiers, tortured, murdered, maltreated, mutilated. Of the 40,000 American settlers in Mexico less than 5,000 remain to-day and they are huddled in the cities because no human life—or for that matter animal life either if it can be run off by bandits—is safe outside the cities; not on the mules, outside a horse after nine o'clock at night.

Let me give some concrete cases:

I think of a farmer who sold all his land in Kansas thirty years ago and bought a 3,000-acre ranch of cotton land in the sugar section of South Eastern Mexico. The name of the place I dare not give more specifically, for it would expose the family's dispersed heirs to the vengeance of confiscation or murder. The cotton land rent a few dollars an acre—slightly more than we in the Canadian North-West could get for wild land during the same era of Manitoba and the prairies where I roamed as a child. The native mud cage brush and grease wood were grubbed out. The land was fenced. A ranch horse was built. Houses for the tenant hands were built. A little band of horses and mules and cattle multiplied to 300 head of cattle and over 100 of horses and mules. Finally sugar went houses went up and railroad sidings were run in. Seven years ago the Kansas farmer was employing 700 peons. He had—as we say in the West—begun to ease in for his thirty years of hard work and thrift and good management. At the time that Kansas farmer rose to the stage brush country, wages were 12 to 25 cents a day. He was paying his hands 75c to $1.50.

The Mexican Method

IN the twinkling of an eye swooped down one of the revolutionary bands. It doesn't matter very much which band did it. There were about 200 in the band led by two peddlers who had strapped air handsabers and rifles and called themselves generals. The man who was a cut-throat, serving a criminal sentence in a dungeon yesterday, may be an official general to-day or to-morrow. The man who is an official general under Government auspices by daylight, may don a bandana mask and go on a raiding expedition at night, of which the famous high powered grey automobile manned by masked officers who rubbed the good horses of Mexico City is an example.

Nor does it matter very much under which of the shifting dictatorships, in the sacred name of democracy during the last six years this particular crime was perpetrated. Whoever was in power was unmovable for the crime exactly as New York would be unmovable for the crime whether Republicans or Democrats were in power if a similar outrage befell any one of the 8,000 Mexicans now residing in New York City.

The Raiders at Work

IN the twinkling of an eye swooped down from the hills one of the bandit bands, one of the 500 such bands which have swept Mexico here as a land scoured by some scourge from the depths of Hell. The stock war all run off—or slaughtered and maltreated on the spot. Why maltreated? "To save ammunition," as a bandit, frenzied drunk with pulque, explained. The storehouses were looted. What could be carried away was gutted and set on fire. Flour—flour for which Mexican women and children have since gone hungry—was ripped open and trampled in the ground. All the barb wire was slashed and severed off. Furniture was cut into kindling wood. Pictures were slashed. Clothing and small jewelry were taken to deck the wild bandits, who rode with the quirts on their expeditions in the sacred name of freedom; but more than personal trinkets were sought. It was pay day at the ranch. Or pay day, it had been customary at the end of the month and draughtern to go to the nearest city and bring the pay envelopes part in cash. Providentially that day the train was late. The owner of the ranch had not come out and that fact in all that saved them from the fate of hundreds of thousands of women and girls. But the bandits wanted money and demanded it of the old father. He gave them all the cash he had. The one Mexican who tried to protect him, the bandits shot on the spot. With 700 peon helpers and a dozen drinking bandits, why didn't the American defend himself? Because the Canadian Government does not permit Americans to possess fire arms to the extent of one pistol or one rifle or one round of cartridges. That is why their frontiersmen whose ancestors pioneered the Bloody Ground of the West, could not raise a hand to defend himself without exposing 100 of his people to a shambles.



A peon family in an agricultural section. Living conditions are quite primitive among the native Mexicans.

When I was in Mexico less than a month ago one little settlement of Mexicans did go try to defend themselves from loot. They wanted to keep their mules from being stolen out of the plows as they were putting in their crops. The presiding patriot of the district, who called himself a general, fell on them in spite of a weak and 50 unarmed Mexicans were massacred—chiefly by bayonet and machete or whatever would kill a man take.

The Scotchman Won Respected

SO the old Kansan farmer and not to be tortured into exposing where the supposed pay envelopes were hidden. What happened I shall not tell. It is not tellable. They put a rope round his neck and began working it up and down on a temporary scaffolding to the bough until proofs of wife and manhood. He went raving mad. The infants stopped only when the old man lost his voice. Then they used the women. The women's arms were set on fires and the bandits decked in the loot and drunk with lust and crime rode off with jeers and hoots. One final touch was a young Scotchman as foreman of the warehouse and storer. On him they did not lay a finger. Why? Because he claimed the protection of

mother flag. That was when the American flag wrapped round a man protected him from insult or wrong in any part of the world, or the United States had to know the reason why. Elocutionists used to recite a very beautiful poem about that flag protecting a man amid an alien horde. Yet that flag has been tied to the tail of a donkey and with half naked urchins as pages for the donkey's train dragged through the streets of a city in Mexico to the shouts of a rabble.

Let it be added that the Carranza Government finally caught and shot one leader of this band. Heart and viscera were taken from the body, the body packed with salt and exposed standing upright in a coffin on a weening for days, but the point is—the same conditions of outlawry and banditry are rampant in Mexico to-day except in the immediate environs of the well policed cities. After seven years of revolution, or "revoloting" in the sacred name of freedom, such crimes are still rampant. Mexico lies crucified under the heel of bands of bandits and cut-throats, who compose less than one half of one per cent. of her population. What happened to that ranch happened to scores and hundreds of other ranches—American and Mexican—that the tale can never be told. Nor can the half of any one tale be told. Details of these cases can only be told in some pathological laboratory where post mortems are performed on the beasts of fiends. If any one challenges this statement, I shall be glad to send the details of cases that have happened within eight miles of the heart of Mexico City within the last two years, of cases that are on official record now.

No Respect for the U.S. Flag

I HAVE spoken of the desecration of the American flag.

One more case. This time an American Methodist clergyman beloved by the whole community, Mexican and foreign. The rabble came to his door, tore down the American flag and called him out. He was ordered at rifle point to spit on the flag and stamp upon it. At first the enormity of the command did not dawn on him. Then he drew himself up.

"Never! Not till the crack of doom and back again!" he shouted above the jeers.

Rifles and revolvers were jammed against his head.

"You're a dead man then!" the leading jefe blustered.

"Better dead and the flag undefiled," he shouted back, "than alive and all the flag stands for down in the mud."

Instantly, the mob tied the flag to the mudguard of a motor it was carrying. The streets were swimming in slime. With the clergyman clubbed in front of the mob the car was run down the main street of the city dragging the Stars and Stripes in the slime, rifle shots crackling overhead, to the door of the penitentiary, where the clergyman and a band of Y.M.C.A. workers who had come to his rescue, were thrown inside a cell, and all that prevented that group of Americans suffering massacre was that two other mobs of bandits came into the city, one from the North, one from the South. They were so busy murdering each other that friends could set the clergyman and the Y.M.C.A. boys free.



A very common scene; a town occupied by Federal troops.

WITHIN the past year 11 workers in the American oil fields have been murdered, 30 assaulted and paymaster robbed to the amount of $150,000 (pesos). By "assaulted," I don't mean simply frisked and hustled. I mean beaten insensible so that some have been left maimed for life, their wives outraged, some even driven insane. If you want to realize what the raiding of a train means I could tell the details where a train was held up, all the passengers robbed, two Mexican women taken off, stripped naked and thrown into a vat of black crude oil.

German Deviltry in a Paradise

THE deviltries in the first place were financed by German money. Secret German propaganda, working through Bolsheviki, lashed an ignorant populace into a frenzy. But do not think the whole nation is an ignorant populace! Of fifteen million people ten million do not speak even Spanish and are pure Indian. Of the five million at least two represent the best that any nation can produce in art, in genius, in science; and in its topography the land is a garden of paradise, inexhaustible in its wealth. In minerals, in fruits, in cereals, in forests it produces anything to be found from Saskatchewan to Panama, and it raises always two crops a year—sometimes three. The land itself is of an area about equal to France and Italy, or Germany and Switzerland and Spain. It has twenty eight distinct states and some minor provinces.

Imagine German propaganda turned amuck in this land! At one stage of the game, German propaganda came to Mexico and charged American soldiers and settlers with the same crimes against Mexican women as Germans perpetrated against Belgian and French. This choice piece of deviltry was circulated by the Bolsheviki in the West and Centre Mexican States, where the people are remote and could not know the fraud. The book was not circulated on the American Border, or on the Gulf, or in the big cities, for there Americans were living and the Mexicans knew differently.

German official propaganda is now dead. Bolsheviki propaganda is not dead however. It is more active than it has ever been, and it is now trying to fan up bad relations between Mexico and the United States by a species of subtle propaganda of which I shall tell later. It is easier to kindle a flame than to quench it.

Outside the different city limits, Mexico is as lawless as at any time during the past seven revolutionary years. Murder, outrage, rape, assassinations, banditry, kidnapping—are as rife to-day outside city limits as at any time during the actual armed fighting of different revolutionary leaders. Only last fall an American boy, who was an engineer in the mining country, was kidnapped. His people in California received a demand for $5,000. They were hard pressed to find the money. The bandits cut off his ears and sent them to his parents. The family scraped the money together somehow. Came back a second demand for twice the first amount. This time they sent big figures. By the time the family had scraped up the second instalment the boy had been murdered. I could tell of two boys and a lady kidnapped near Mexico City while I was there—one badly injured in a roping process—or of another boy ransomed for $4,000 and delivered back in Mexico City while I was there in broad daylight in a place as public as Queen's Park, Toronto, or Beaver Hill, Montreal.

Carranza Helpless

GRANTED also Carranza would stop the banditry if he could. He can't or he would. Of his say twenty generals—I forget whether the number is fifteen or twenty—the number varies—granted five belong to the young Radical progressive group, whom I heard declare they would drive out "the den of thieves or die in the attempt." The young clean Radicals are outnumbered two to one, and if Carranza budged from the present system he would be assassinated. What is the present system? It is for a general to charge on his payroll for eight to ten thousand soldiers when he has only three to five thousand soldiers; and not to pay the three to five thousand except when he has to. They are promised 75 cents to $1 a day and are given 25 cents "and a free hand," and in one section I visited, they were not given even the 25 cents. They were literally hungry in the Tehuantepec Country. That is why Carranza's soldiers by day turned into bandits at night. That and the 11 murders and 30 assaults and $150,000 stolen—is what drove the oil producers to pay the bandit, Pelaez, protection money, a plain blackmail.

Protecting the Oil Supply

GET this oil matter straight! The charge is constantly made by Carranza that the oil companies are financing the revolution. What happened and how was this! At one stage in the war oil and gasoline supplies ran very low. We were within three weeks of not having enough to keep the British and American Navy going. Franklin Roosevelt rallied on the oil men of Mexico to speed up; and German spies were on the ground trying to burn the oil tanks and oil wells and to blow up the eighty to one hundred miles of pipe lines that convey the oil from the jungle of the hot country to the water front. (It may be said—pipe lines cost the companies millions of dollars before they get a cent back for their outlays.) The Germans were also financing the rebel bands in their deviltries. One of the leading revolutionists in the oil country—by name, Pelaez—came to the oil companies.

"Pay me," he said, "enough to keep and pay my men, and I'll protect you from all other bands."

And with the full connivance and knowledge of the State Department, pay him they did. Some say the amount runs to $80,000 a month, some say less, but as Pelaez has 5,000 trained men, it is probable not less than $60,000. Henceforth if a small band ran amuck, Pelaez took to the high road after them,—there were ragged skeletons hanging to telegraph poles. How then have the companies been robbed so heavily in the last years? Because not all pay Pelaez, and because some of the companies have to go to the oil fields by launch down a narrow canal. Now before you can take a launch out in Mexico, you have to declare to the customs officials how much money you are taking out—so many pesos in gold, so much silver, so much copper, and when the bandits fire across the prow of a launch they utter naive demands for exactly the amounts of gold, silver and copper which the customs manifest declares. Who told them? Who are these bands? Sometimes Carranza soldiers take to the road with a "free hand," and marked rolls of identification are found on their persons in the low dives of Tampico.

Why doesn't Carranza put this knavery down?

Because he can't.

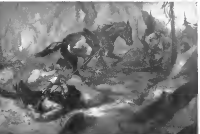
Because he does not control this region except in name.

How the Bandits Get Firearms

THE question is asked where do the bandits get firearms and ammunition if the foreign companies do not supply both? All the bandit rifles are old Mausers bought from Japan; and the bullets used are stamped Mexico City. The bandits get these munitions by paying 18 to 25 cents to the Carranza soldiers for cartridge belts and by trading [illegible] for the rifles. Drugged pulque plays its part too. Dynamite is usually stolen from construction and mining companies or from passing freight trains known to be carrying such inland. The United States will not permit one pound of ammunition to be shipped to anyone but Carranza.

When American Ambassador Fletcher came up

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His body struck rocks, trees, roots: it jiggered about on the rough earth like a rock.

The Gold Wolf

A Bulldog Carney Story

By W. A. FRASER

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ALL the day long Bulldog Carney had found, where the trail was soft, the old imprint of that gilded in-turned hoof. All day in the saddle riding a trail that winds in and out among rocks, and trees, and cliffs monotonously similar, the hush of the ever-lasting hills holding in subjection man's soul, the towering giants of embattled rocks thrusting up towards God's dome pigmying to nothingness that rat, a man, produces a comatose condition of mind, man becomes a child incapable of little beyond the recognition of trivial things, the erratic sweep of a bird, the sudden roar of a cataract, the dirge-like sigh of wind through the harp of a giant pine.

And so, curiously, Bulldog's fancy had toyed aimlessly with the history of the cayuse that owned that in-turned left forefoot. Always where the hoof's imprint lay was the flat track of a miner's boot, the hob-nails denting the black earth with stolid persistency. But the owner of the miner's boot seemed of little moment, it was the abnormal hoof that, by a strange perversity, haunted Carney.

The man was probably a placer miner coming down out of the Eagle Hills leading a pack pony that carried his duffel and, perhaps, a small fortune in gold. Of course like Carney, he was heading for steel, for the town of Bucking Horse.

Toward evening, as Carney rode down a winding trail that led to the ford of Singing Water, rounding an abrupt turn the mouth of a huge cave yawned in the side of a cliff away to his left. Something of life had melted into its dark shadow that had the semblance of a man, or it might have been a bear or a wolf. Lower down in the valley that was called the Valley of the Grizzly's Bridge his buckskin shied, and with a snort of fear left the trail and elliptically came back to it twenty yards beyond.

IN the centre of the ellipse, on the trail, stood a gaunt form, a huge dog wolf. He was a sinister figure, his sneering lips curled back from strong yellow fangs, his wide, powerful head low hung, and the black bristles on his back erect in challenge.

The whole thing was weird, uncanny, for a single wolf to stand his ground in daylight was unusual.

Instinctively Bulldog reined in the buckskin, and half turning in the saddle, with something of a shudder, searched the ground at the wolf's feet dreading to find something. But there was nothing.

The dog-wolf with a rousing twist of his head, sprang into the bushes just as Carney dropped a hand to his gun, his quick eye had seen the movement.

Carney had meant to camp just beyond the ford of Singing Water, but the usually placid buckskin was fretful, nervous.

A haunting something was in the air. Carney himself felt it. The sudden apparition of the wolf could not account for this mental unrest, either in man or beast, for they were both inured to the trail, and a wolf meant little beyond a skulking beast that a pistol shot would drive away.

High above the cedar towered Old Squaw Mountain. It was like a battered feudal castle on its upper reaches, turret and tower and bastion catching vagrant shafts of gold and green, as, beyond in the far West, a flaming sun slid down behind the Selkirks. Where he rode in the twisted valley a chill had struck the air, suggesting vaults, dungeons; the giant ferns hung heavy like the plumes of knights drooping with the death dew. A reaching stretch of salmon bushes studded with myriad berries that gleamed like topaz jewels hedged on both sides the purling, frothing stream that still held the green tint of its glacier birth.

Many times in his opium running Carney had swung along this wild trail almost unconscious of the way, his mind traveling far afield, now back to the old days of club life, to the years of army routine, to the bright and happy scenes where rich gowned women and cultured men laughed and bantered with him; at times it was the newer rough life of the West, the ever-present warfare of men against men, the yesterday where he had won or the to-morrow where he might cast a losing hazard—where the dice might turn grudgingly from a six spotted side to a deuce, and the thrower take a fall.

BUT to-night, as he rode, something of depression of a narrow environment, of an evil one, was astride the withers of his horse; the mountains seemed to close in and oppress him. The buckskin too swung his heavy lop-ears irritably back and forth, back and forth. Sometimes one ear was pricked forward as though its owner searched the beyond, the now glooming valley that, at a little distance, was but a blur; the other ear held backward as though it would drink in the sounds of pursuit.

Pursuit! that was the very thing. Instinctively the rider turned in the saddle, one hand on the horn, and held his piercing grey eyes on the back trail searching for the embodiment of this phantasy. The unrest had developed that far into conception: something evil hovered on his trail, man or beast. But he saw nothing but the swaying kaleidoscope of tumbling forest shadows, rocks that half gloomed, took fantastic forms, bushes that swayed with the rolling gait of a grizzley.

The buckskin had quickened his pace as if, tired though he was, he would go on beyond that valley of fear before they camped.

Where the trail skirted the knob of a cliff that had a drop of fifty feet, Carney felt the horse tremble and saw him hug the inner wall, and when they had rounded the point the buckskin, with a snort of relief, clamped the snaffle in his teeth and broke into a canter.

"I wonder—by Jove!" and Bulldog pulling the buckskin to a stand, slipped from his back and searched the black loamed trail.

"I believe you're right, Pat," he said, addressing the buckskin, "something happened back there."

He walked for a dozen paces ahead of the horse, his keen grey eyes on the earth. He stopped and rubbed his chin, thinking, thinking aloud.

"There are tracks, Patsy boy—moccasins; but we've lost our gunboat-footed friend. What do you make of that, Patsy—gone over the cliff? But that damn wolf's pugs are here; he's traveled up and down. By gad! two of them!"

THEN in silence Carney moved along the way, searching and pondering, cast into a curious, superstitious mood that he could not shake off. The in-turned hoof print had vanished, so the owner of the big feet that encased hob-nailed boots did not ride.

Each time that Carney stopped to bend down in study of the trail the buckskin pushed at him fretfully with his soft muzzle and rattled the snaffle against his bridle teeth.

At last Carney stroked the animal's head reassuringly saying: "You're quite right, pal—it's none of our business. Besides we're a pair of old grannies imagining things."

But as he lifted to the saddle Bulldog, like the horse, felt a compelling irritation to go beyond the Valley of the Grizzly's Bridge to camp for the night.

Even as they climbed to a higher level of flat land from back on the trail that was now lost in the deepening gloom, came the howl of a wolf, and then from somewhere beyond floated the answering call of the dog-wolf's mate—a whimpering hungry note in her weird wail.

"Blast, damn you!" Carney cursed softly. "If you bother us I'll sit up with a gun and watch Patsy boy kick you to death."

As if some genii of the hills had taken up and sent on silent waves his challenge, there came filtering through the pines and birch a snarling yelp.

"By gad!" and Carney cocked his ear, pulling the horse to a stand.

Then in the heavy silence of the wooded hills he pushed on again muttering: "There's something wrong about that wolf howl—it's different."

Where a big pine had showered the earth with cones till the covering was soft and deep and springy, and

odorous like a perfumed mattress of velvet he hesitated, but the bunkshe—is the lace animal reasoning pleaded with little impatient stops and shakes of the head that they push on.

Carney yielded, saying softly: 'Go so, kiddie boy, peace of mind is good dope for a sleep."

SO it was ten o'clock when the two travelers, Carney and Pat, camped in an open, where the moon like a silver mirror, bathed the earth in reassuring light. Here the bunkshe had come to a halt. Riled he hunger with the pungent air in deep draughts and leaving he head half roused had waited for his partner to dismount.

It was curious this mae of steel nerve and flawless courage feeling of all the guidance of unknown, threatening, inexplicable disquietude. He did not even build a fire, but, choosing a place where the grass was rich he spread his blanket beside the horse's picket pin.

Bulldog's life had provided him with different sleeping moods; it was a curious subconscious matter of mental adjustment before he slipped away from the land of knowing. Sometimes he could sleep like a tired laborer heavily, unresponsive to the noise of turmoil, at other times, when deep sleep might cost him his life, his senses hovered so close to consciousness that a dried leaf scurrying before the wind would call him to alert action. So now he lay on his blanket, sometimes over the border of spiril land, and sometimes conscious of the buckskin's pull at the crisp grass. Once he came wide awake with no movement but the lifting of his eyelids. He had heard nothing, and now the gray eyes searching the moonlit plain, saw nothing. Yet within was a full consciousness that there was something—not close but hovering there beyond.

The buckskin else knew. He had been lying down, but with a mount of discontent his forequarters would up and he casted to his feet with a spring of wariness. Perhaps it was the wolves.

But after a little Carney knew it was not the wolves they—cunning devils, would have circled beyond his vision, and the buckskin, with his delicate scent, would have swung his head the full circle of the compass but he stood facing down the back trail, the thing was there watching.

After that Carney slept again, lighter if possible thankful that he had yielded to the wisdom of the horse and sought the open.

Half-a dozen times there was this gentle transition from the sleep that was hardly a sleep, to a full acute wakening. And then the policy sky told that night was slipping off to the Western ranges and that beyond the Rockies, to the east, day was sleepily travailing le from the abyss.

Thn horse was ogain feeding and Carney shaking off the lethargy of his broken sleep, gathered some dried stunted bushes and building a little fire, made a pot of tea. To the buckskin as he mounted, he whispered that he remembered himself no end of a superstitious man to harn bothered over a nothing.

NOT far from where Carney had camped the trail or hr followed turned to the left to sweep around a mountain and here it joined for a time the trail running from Fort Steel west toward the Kootenay. The sun began to flood the Rockies, and lifted from the earth the grayish shadows and now Carney saw, as he thought, the hoof prints of the day before.

There was a feeling of relief with this discovery. There had been a morbid disquiet in his mind, a nested conviction that something had happened to that beloved person and his huge-footed runner. Now all the weird fancies of the night had been just a vagary of mind. Where the trail was earthed holding clear impressions, he dismounted and walked ahead of the buckskin reading the lettered clay. Here and there was cooperated a moccasined foot, once there was the impression of boots. Then they were not. The huge imprints of hobnailed soles. They showed that a man had dismounted and then mounted again, and the cayuse had not an inclueced left forefoot also the toe wall of one hind foot was badly broken. His stride was longer too he did not walk with the short step of a park pony.

The unfathomable depression took possession of Bulldog again. He tried to shake it off—it was childish. The huge footed one pacheps was a prospector and had wandered up into some one of the gulches looking for gold. That was objective reason formulating an hypothesis.

Then presently Carney discovered the confusing element of the same cayuse leacks leading the other way as if the men on horseback had learcled both ap and down the leall.

Where the flucking Horse trail left the Kootenay trail after that or the mountains Carney saw that the hoof prints continued toward Kootenay. And there were a myriad of hroofs, many mounted men had swung from the Bunking Horse trail to the Kootenay path they had gone and returned for the hoof-prints that trod toward Bucking Horse by or by.

This also was strange, men did not ride out from the skinpy old town in a troop like cavalry. There was but one explanation the explanation of the West—those mounted men had ridden after somebody—had trolled somebody who was wanted quick.

While exceeds to his skeletoned train of thought obliterated mentally the goblin feated cayuse the huge hob-nailed boot, the something of ile pluff the hovering oppressioe of the night—everything.

Carney closed his mind to the tertering riddin and rede—sometimes hormieg on Irish ballad of Mangoch

IT was late afternoon when he rode into Buckin' Horse, and Bucking Horse was in a ferment. Seth Long n hotel the Gold Nugget, was the nooldron in which the waters of unrest seethed.

A lynching was in a state of almost completion with Jeanette Hall's brother, Barry, elected to play the leading part of the lynched. Through the deference paid to his well-known ostlivity when hostile events were afoot. Carney was cordially drawn into the maelstrom of ugly tempered men.

Jnsestthe brother may he said to have suffered from a preponderance of opinion against him, for only Jsen stte and with him energy, Seth Long, were of his side. All Bucking Horse angry Bucking Horse was for stringing him up *tout de suite*. The times were propitious for this entertainment, for Sergeant Black of the Mounted Police, was over at Fort Steel or somewhere else on patrol, and the law was in the keeping of the mob.

Osteeadily Carney ranged himself on the side of low and order That is what he meant when, leaning nonchlessly against the Nugget Bar one hand on his hip shunmily rlose to the bull of his six-gun, he said:

"This town had got a pretty good name as towns go in the mountains, and toy idea of a man that's too handy at the lynch game is, that has a pretty poor speck.

"How's that Bulldog?' Kootenay Jim snapped.

"He's a poor sport' Carney drawled, because he's got a hundred to one the best of it—first, last, and always; he don't in any danger when he starts, because its a hundred mae to one poor devil, who, generally isn't armed and his hnows thot at the finish his mates will perjure themselves to save their own necks. I've seen one or two lynch mobs and they were generally egged on by one who were yellow."

Carney's grey eyes looked out over the room full of angry mee with a quiet, thoughtful steadiness that forced home the conviction that he was wording a logic he would demonstrate. No other mae in that room would have stood up against that plumb bar and declared himself with out being called quick.

"Yes hear fusl what this rat done, Bulldog than we'll hear what you've got to say,' Kootenay growled.

"That's well spoken, Kootenay,' Bulldog answered "I'm fresh in off the trail and perhaps I'm quicter than the rest of you but first, being fresh in off the trail there is little action to ha observed."

With a sweep of his hand Carney waved a scluie to a line of bottles behind the bar.

Jeanette, standing in the open door that led from the bar to the dining room gripping the door till her nails sank into the pine, felt hot tears gush into her eyes. How wise how cool the brave Bulldog that she loved was. She had had no chance to plead with him for help he had just come in to that murder crazed threng and the words had been hurled at him from a dozen mouths that her brother Harry—Harry the weeler the nogood the gambler—had been found to be the man who had murdered returning nurrs on the trail for their gold and that they were going to string him up.

And saw there he stood her god of a man, Bulldog Carney ranged on her side, calm and brave. It was the first glint of hope since they had brought her brother in bound to the back of a cayuse. She had pushed her way amongst the men, but they were like nurses, she had pleaded and begged for delay, but the evidence was so overwhelming absolutely hopeless it had appeared. But now something whispered "Hope"

IT was curious the quieling effect that single drink of the bar had. The magnetism of Carney seemed to envelop the men, to make them reasonable. Ordinarily they were reasonable men. Bulldog knew this and he played the card of reason.

Fee the two or three gun men—Kootenay Jim, John of Sloran and Deevers Big Cenary had his own terrible personality and his six-gun he could deal with those three toughs if necessary.

"Now tell me, boys what started this hellery" Carney said when they had drunk.

"The story was fired at him; if a solce hesitated on othre took up the narrotive.

Miners returning from the gold field up to the Eagle Hills had mysteriously disappeared, never turning up at Bucking Horse. A man would have left the Eagle Hills, and somebody drifting in from the same plans later on, would ask for him at Bucking Horse—nobody had seen him.

Thne one after another two skelstons had been found on the trail the bodies had been devoured by wolves.

"And wolves don't eat gold—not what you'd notice, as steady chuck.' Kootenay Jim yelped.

"Men wolves do,' Carney thrust back, and his grey eyes said plainly "That's your food, Jloe"

"Maonin' whol by that, gard,' Kootenay snarled, his face and ice a threat.

'Jost whel the words convey—you post that stut, Kootenay"

Yet Miner Graham interposed. "We got kinder leary about this wolf game Carney, cause they aint bothered nobody else 'cept man pickin' in their wine cin's from the Eagle Hills, and foue days ago Caribou Dave—here he is sittin' right here—he arrives packin' Fourteen foot Johnson—that is, all that's left of Fourteen foot."

"Johnson was my pal," Caribou Dave interrupted a quaver in his voice, "and he leaves the Eagle Nest two days ahead of me, packin' a big clean sp of gold as a cayuse. He was goled to sooch ocean' Buckin' Horse till I arrespe in afoot, thes we was goin' tal. We beer together a good many years, of Fourteen-foot and one"

Something seemed to break in Caribou's voice and Graham added: 'Dave finds his mate at the foot of a nill?"

Carney started, and instinctively Kootenay's hand dropped to his gun thinking something was going to happen

"I duene just what makes me look there for Fourteen-foot, Bulldog," Caribou Dave explained. "I was comin' along the trail seein' the marks of 'em damn big feel of her, and they looked good to me—I guess I was gettin' kinder homesick for him; when I'd camp I'd go out and paw 'em tracks, twas kinder like shakin' hands. We been together a good many years, buckin' the mountains, and the plares, and sometimes havin' a bit of fun. I'm comin' along, as I seye, and I seen a kinder scrimmage like, as if his old tan-colored seyuse had gel gay or took the blind steggers, or something; there was a lot of tracks. Bel I give up thinkin' it out, 'cause I knowed if the damn cayuse had jack-rabbited any, Fourteen-feol 'd pick him ocd his load up and nerry him. Then I see some wolf tracks—long mese as big as a steer's they was—and I figger Fourteen-feol's had a set-to with a couple of 'em timber coyotes and jammed bell's delight out of 'em, 'cause he nook'ive deep it. Then I'm follerin' the cayuse's trail again, pickin' it up here and there, and all at oent it jumps ma that the big feet is missin'. Sure I natural figger Johnson's gel mussed up a bit with the wolves and is ridin', but there's the dang wolf tracks again. And some moccasin feel has been passierin' along, too. Then the hoss tracks cuts out just same's if he'd spread his wluge and gone up in the air—they just end."

Then Caribou gets a hunch and goes back, and packs over the nil". Miner Graham added for old David had stopped speaking to bite viciously at a black plug of tobacco to hide his feelings.

"I dunne what made me do it,' Caribou interrupted; "some just same's Fourteen feol's calin' me. There ain't nobody can make me believe that if two men paddles together twenty years, had their little fights and show-downs and still sticks, that one of 'em is going to cut clean out just cause he goes over the Big Divide—taint natural if you, boys, Fourteen-foot's calin' me—That's what he is, when I goes back."

THEN Graham had to take up the narrative, for Caribou heading straight for the bar, pointed dembly at a black bottle.

Yes, Caecey' Graham said, Caribou packs into Bucken Horse on his back what was left of Fourteen foot, and there wesn't as gold and no sign of the cayuse. Then we swarms out, a few of us, and picks up rayuse tracks most partie'lae where the Eagle Hills trail hits the trail for Kootenay. And when we seee haul the cayuse that's layin' down 'em tracks. It's Fourteen foot's hawse and a clain' him is Harry Holt."

"And he's got the gold you was talkin' 'bout wolves eatin' Bulldog' Kootenay Jim said with a sneee. "He wasn't carryin' 'cause here busted cleaned to the bane, and there he's a ridin' Fourteen foot's cayuse, with lots of gold."

"That's the whole case then, is it, boys?' Carney asked quietly.

"Ain't it enough?" Kootenay Jim snarled.

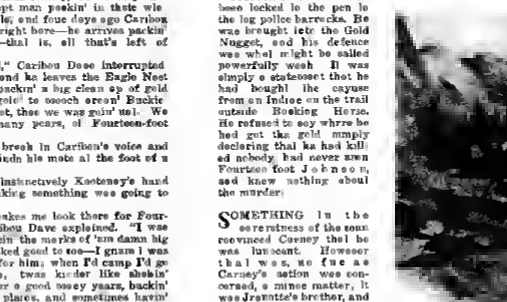
'No, it isn't. You were tried for murder once yourself Kootenay and you got off though everybody knew it was the dead man's money in your pocket. You got off because nobody saw you kill the man and the circumstantial evidence gave you the benefit of the doubt."

"I sied beln' tried for this, Bulldog. You're bringin up old scores mighl gel you te wrong"

"You're not being tried Kootenay but another man is sed I say he's gui'ty have a fair chance. You bring him here, boys, and let me hear his story, that's only fair, men amongst men. Because I give you fair warning boys, if this lynching goes through, and you re in wrong, I'm going to denounce you; not one of you will get away—not one!"

"We'll bring him, Bulldog," Graham said; "whel you say is only fair, it will swieg he will."

Jeasette's brother had been locked in the pen in the log police barracks. He was brought into the Gold Nugget, and his defence was what might be called powerfully weak. It was simply a statement that he had bought the cayuse from an Indian on the trail outside Bucking Horse. He refused to say where he had got the gold, simply declaring that he had killed nobody, had never seen Fourteen foot Johnson, and knew nothing about the murder.



Instinctively Bulldog raised in the buckskin and half turned in the saddle.

He turned to Caribou. "What brand had Fourteen-foot's cayuse?"

"I don't know," the old chap answered surlily. "but it was there some place it's restin' now—It aint shifted none since you figured it."

"That was to be, boys' Carney said; 'if Caribou can't swear to a horse's brand how can he swear to the beast?"

"And if Fourteen foot'd come back and stood up here and swear it was his viciously that wouldn't do either, would it, Bulldog?" And Kootenay cackled.

"Jeast wait a bit, boys, and I know better." His voice had a dull feel, an inturned left forefoot. I picked it up here and there for miles back on the trail, sometimes pale on top of Johnson's big heat lewk and sometimes Johnsen's was on top when he traveled behind."

THE men stared, and Graham asked. "What do you say to that, Caribou? Did you ever mop out Fourteen foot's cayuse—what his travelere was like?"

"I never looked at his feet—there weren't no reason to, I was mistn'."

"There's another little test we can make" Carney suggested. "Have you got any of Johnson's belongings—a real?'

"We got his coal" Graham answered. "It was pretty hard wrerked with the wolves and we hinder fixed the remains up decent in a suit of store clothes."

At Carney's request the real was brought a rough Mackinaw and from one of the men proseel he got a mleer's magnifying glase saying, as he examined the coat.

"This ought, naturally to ha prelly well filled with hairs from that cayuse of Johnson's; and while two horses may look alike there's generally a difference in the kair'

There aint no thinkin 'about it." Caribou answered with asperity. "When I see my boots I don't *think* they're mine, I just meel ostur ly figger They are and pull 'em on. I'd know that dun colored rel if I saw him in a wild herd."

"And yet,' Carney objected in an even tone "this isn't the cayese that Johnson toted out his duffel from the Eagle Hills on."

A cackle issued from Kootenay Jims long scraggy nrck.

"That selles it, boys; Bulldog passes the hurk and the game's over. Caribou is just an old navy liar gordin to Judge Carney."

"Caribou is perfectly honest in his belief" Carney declared. "There isn't more than half a dozen colors for horses and there are a good many thousand horses in this territory, so a great many of them are the same color. And the general structure of different cayuses is so similar so so many wheelbarrown. That brand on his shoulder may be a C or a new mean, or a fleyjack."

Carney's surmise proved correct, dozens of short hairs were imbedded in the coat principally in the sleeves. Then hair was glaced from many different parts of the cayuse's body, and the two lots were viewed through the glass. They were different. The hair on the cayuse standing in the yard was coarser, redder, longer for its bedine owner had let it run like a wild goat, and Fourteen-foot had given his cayuse non adorable attention. There were also some white hairs in the real warp and as the cayuse there was not a single white hair to be seen.

When questioned Caribou would not emphatically declare that there had not been a star or a white stripe in the forehead of Johnson's horse.

These things roused some of the men to waver, for if it were not Johnson's cayuse if Caribou were mistaken, there was no direct evidence to connect Harry Holt with the murdre

KOOTENAY JIM objected that the examination of the hair was nothing, that Carney, he's a clever lawyer, was trying to get the murderer off on a technicality As to the duh feel they had only Carney's guess, whereas Caribou had never seen any club foot on Johnsen's horse.

We can prove that part of it,' Graham said, "we can go back on the trail and see whel Bulldog says."

Half-a-dozen mee approved this, saying "Well put off the hangin' and go back"

But Carney objected.

When he did see Kootenay Jim and John from Sloran raised a howl of derision. Kootenay saying "When we calls the bluff he throws his hand in the discard. There aint no club foot may whereas the jael e game to gain time to give this coyote, Holt, a chence to make a getaway. We're hele' baffleoed — we're wastin' time. We gets a murdrere on a murdered man's howse with the gold in his pockets, and Bulldog Carney puts some hawas herrn under a glass heade ou a pipe dream 'bout some ghost tracks back on the trail, and yea shee ol' to get a thn pot Hell! you'd think we was a damn lot of teadrrfeet."

This horsrage had an effect on the angry men but seemingly none whel-ever upon Bulldog, for he said quietly:

'I doubt weal a troop of men to go back on the trail jeal now hesauses I'm going out myself to bring the murdrere in. I nan gel him alone, for if he does see me he won't think that I'm after him, simply that I'm trailing. But if a perly goes they'll never see him. He's a clever devil and will make his getaway. All I want on this evidence is that you hold Holt till I get back. I'll bring the forelog of that cayuse with a club foot for there's no doubt the murderer made sure that the welren gel him too"

They had worked back into the hotel by now, and inside Kootenay Jim and his two mronies had taken a big drink of whisky, whispering togethnr as they deank

As Carney and Graham entered Kootenay's shrill voice was saying:

"We're hain' him flammed—played for a lot of kide There aint been a damn thing coal lookin at some hawse haire thrnugh a glass Ken has twee murdered on the trail, and who done it—somebody. Caribou's mate was murdered and we find his gold on a man that was savvy broke here was humin in the tewn spring lit on Seth Long, he hadn't two bits And Jenne his sister steeds well with Bulldog he paims this three raed leick with hawse hairs and we got to let the murderer go."

"You lie, Kootenay" the words had rome from Jrunette. "My brothe wouldn't tel you where he got the gold—hevl let you hang him first but I will tell I took it out of Seth's safe and gave it to him to get out of the country, because I knew that you and three two other hounds, Sloran and Denver would murder him some night because he hunked you down for insulting me."

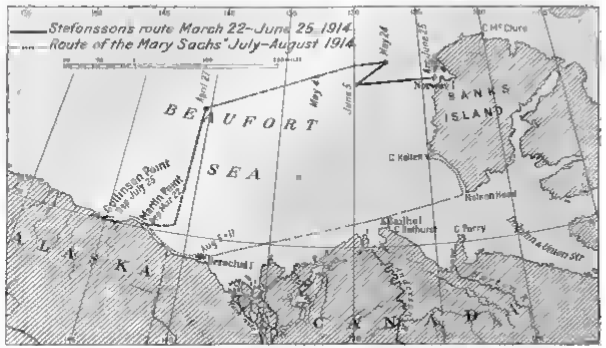
"That's a lie!' Kootenay screamed; "you and Bull

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SOLVING *the* PROBLEM *of the* ARCTIC

PART III.—Drifting to Banks Island on the Ice

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Map prepared by Mr Stefansson showing the route he followed and that of the "Mary Sachs."

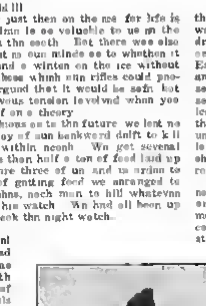
AT the end of April 1911 our party of three men and six dogs found themselves in what some might consider a precarious situation. We had come from Alaska across more than five hundred miles of moving sea ice and were about forty miles from the northwest corner of Banks Island when the wind which up to then had been prevailingly northwesterly, suddenly changed to the east. We at once began to drift away from the land of our destination, and water lanes of unknown width appeared between us and it. For eleven days the wind varied between northeast, east and southeast, and we drifted steadily to the westward, altogether nearly 75 miles as shown by our sextant. Ample and intimate association with the ice has since then given us a feeling of at-home-ness and confidence but at that time we were decidedly anxious to get ashore. The anxiety was to port founded on the good reason that we had exploratory and scientific work to do in other quarters and could ill afford to spend a year just then on the ice for life is short and a year of time is too valuable to us in the north to it in to you in the south. But there was also an unreasonable doubt in our minds as to whether it was really safe to spend a winter on the ice without other reasons than these which our rifles could provide. I had always found that it would be safe but there is a certain nervous tension involved when you come to study it in yourself or a theory.

Because we were anxious as to the future we lost no opportunity the first day of our backward drift to kill whatever seals came within reach. We got several that day, and had more than half a ton of food laid up by evening. Three were three of us and as prize to miss an opportunity of getting food we arranged to stand eight hour watches, each man to kill whatever game he could during his watch. We did all keep up during the day and I took the night watch.

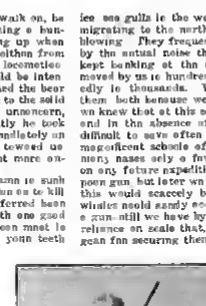
A New Method of Travel

BY midnight the lead to the east of us was already covered with two or three inches of young ice and the seals had ceased coming up near so and could now be seen only at a distance in the thinner patches of surface ice in the lead. I was watching them, nonetheless though they were too far away to be killed, when all of a sudden half a mile away I saw the head and shoulders of a bear come up through the fragile ice. He nested a moment, and my glasses showed me he was breathing deeply. After a few good breaths he disappeared and for two or three minutes there was no sign of him and then a hundred yards or so nearer the ice I saw brown and black and shoulders again appeared. Evidently seeing the ice was not strong enough for him to walk on, he was navigating submarine-fashion swimming a hundred yards or so under the ice and coming up when necessary to breathe. I had never heard either from Eskimos or from books, of this method of locomotion and knowing that Stoneraen and Ole would be interested I called them and together we watched the bear as he approached our camp. When he came to the solid ice he scrambled up on it with perfect unconcern, though he saw us moving about. Evidently he took us and the barking dogs for floes, and immediately on landing in precisely at a leisurely walk toward us showing neither hostility nor curiosity but mere unconcern. Needless to say, we killed him.

Dinning the next few days often beans came in such rapid succession that it was not necessary for us to kill any more seals. It was not that we preferred bear meat to seal but rather the contrary. Both one good eating as far as taste is concerned but bear meat is stringy and the fibres of it get between your teeth and make your gums sore which is not true of any other wild meat known to us. For that reason bears are the least welcome diet, but in this case we had only a limited amount of ammunition and as seals average only one hundred and fifty pounds in weight while bears average eight hundred pounds, and sometimes double that weight, it was evidently more economical to use our cartridges for bears.



Captain Hans Bernard of the "Mary Sachs" with his favorite dog



Wilkins in hunting costume

But inside of a week we had several tons of meat and it was evident that should the wind change eventually enabling us to get ashore in Banks Island it was more waste of ammunition to kill any more game for we should have to leave it all behind. On the other hand should the westward drift continue, and the summer and winter have to be spent on the ice evidently there was no scarcity of food and we should be able to kill whatever meat we wanted at any time. Of course it would have been necessary, had we wintered on the ice to kill meat and blubber before the darkness set in to furnish food and oil so that the daylight of spring should again enable us to begin hunting. But we soon concluded that the killing of a winter supply could safely be put off until August or September, even were it ultimately necessary. We therefore began to scare the bears away. This in general was not difficult to do although one big male bear that neither noise nor strange antics would frighten had to be killed. It went that he really had any intention of attacking us, but he simply insisted on walking into camp, a procedure which held possibilities of awkward complications.

Adrift, Ninety Miles From Shore

DURING the two weeks and ninety miles of our westward drift, summer came upon us in the form of the season on top of the ice. Pools of water appeared and lanes around us, lead birds migrating to the north, and white whales puffing and blowing. They frequently kept us awake at night not by the actual noise they made, but because the dogs kept barking at the strange sounds. These whales moved by us in hundreds in a day, some days undoubtedly in thousands. We did not try to kill any of them both because we had plenty of fat and because we knew that at this season white whales sink readily, and in the absence of harpoons and floats are very difficult to save often being killed. At one of these magnificent schools of great animals traveling by in many lanes only a few yards away, we planned that on any future expedition we would carry a small hand gun, but later we have come to the conclusion that this would scarcely be worth while. For although winter would surely enough be secured if one had such a gun still we have by experience place such implicit reliance on seals that, so long as we have ten proper gean fan securing them, we don't think it worth while to take pains about any other kind of food.

We were not fated to spend the summer on the ice, for in two weeks the wind changed to westerly and the lee-sake on which we were camped—a heavy piece of ice many years old and about five or eight square miles in area—commenced traveling toward Banks Island. As the wind drove it eastward, we gradually caught up to rumbling cakes that were drifting in advance of us, and eventually began to squeeze and crush them and our own cake in a way to indicate that fifty miles or so to leeward Banks Island was obstructing our further eastward drift. When we resumed our travel we found of course a great deal of open water here and there in the form of irregular spaces between the various cakes, but we were nowhere able to find places where the runners of the cakes touched although occasionally we had to convert our sled into a boat for ferrying purposes. Shallower and shallower soundings confirmed the evidence of our senses that we were drifting toward land.

An Uninhabited Land

WHILE the men made their first camp ashore and slept the first night on a camping-ground that they knew would neither drift to seaward nor break up under them, I went to the top of the island and with my invaluable binoculars studied what I took to be the mainland of Banks Island to the east. There are two chief elevations on Norway Island. From the western one of these looking ocean about two miles of the island and three miles of sea ice I saw two or three miles inland as what I took for the mainland of Banks Island several white spots which I had to watch for more than half an hour before becoming certain that they were not a part of the stable scenery. They were, as I suspected, snow lying down and eventually sank of them got up and moved with reference to the others, enough to show that the white spots were really living animals. Had they been a little nearer than I estimated they might really have been bears. With confidence in my correct judgment of distance I immediately concluded however that they were caribou and decided to make hay while the sun shone and my compulsion slept. It took me less than two and a half hours to get within half a mile of the animals, but they were on exceptionally level ground and hard to approach. Had they been traveling in any definite direction, I could have made a longer circle around them and lain in wait for them as they advanced but they were in a patch of good fat, I am not mistaken to move. It may be supposed that in an uninhabited land such as Banks Island caribou would be easy to approach but I have found it makes little difference whether caribou are inhabited or uninhabited lands. For their fear of wolves is even greater, and if they see no bear anything suspicious they immediately flee, apparently thinking that it is a wolf. It took me accordingly about five hours to make an approach for I did not want to commence our long residence on Banks Island with a futile hunt. Eventually I killed and skinned all of them and carried back meat on Norway Island after the men had had their good night's rest and were just through breakfast. It had been a small breakfast, for on the three preceding days, we had not stopped to kill seals but the caribou tongues I brought home made a good meal for all of us often which was round across to the dinner-kill and pumped there that night.



Carrying sod for house-building at Cape Bellitt, before the arrival of Stefansson's party

Land at Last

THE going at this time was exceedingly bad, for there were water puddles on top of the ice where we waded knee-deep through slush and damp snow which was no longer hard enough to support our sleds and we had to drag them through drifts, like snow plows on a mountain railway. After we saw land it took on three days of the hardest work to cover the intervening twelve miles, and it was the evening of June 28th that we landed.

Norway Island is shown on the charts as about six miles long with its greatest diameter north and south. It is, as a matter of fact, about three miles long, with its main axis running east and west. On the south coast of it we found enough driftwood to make a camp-fire for two on three meals and on the beach we saw caribou tracks, though we soon discovered that there were no caribou on the island just then. With our glasses we could see half a dozen bears white and nonpareil as the green slopes of the land and geese and ducks were numerous in the ponds. But this was all small game and I have for many years made it a rule never to kill any animal smaller than a wolf. Really wolves also are too small though they weigh often a hundred pounds but we make an exception in their case because we have a grudge against them for competing with us in the killing of caribou so their food in winter is probably 90 per cent. muskox meat. It is also true that in the summer when the muskox are skinny and for that reason poor eating the wolves are fat because they are then feasting on an abundance of eggs and lemmings and their meat is therefore much preferable to that of the muskox. In order to economize on ammunition we accordingly paid no attention to the hares, geese and ducks.

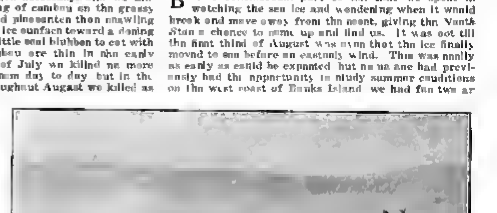
An Uninhabited Land

WHILE the men made their first camp ashore and slept the first night on a camping-ground that they knew would neither drift to seaward nor break up under them, I went to the top of the island and with my invaluable binoculars studied what I took to be the mainland of Banks Island to the east. There are two chief elevations on Norway Island. From the western one of these looking ocean about two miles of the island and three miles of sea ice I saw two or three miles inland as what I took for the mainland of Banks Island several white spots which I had to watch for more than half an hour before becoming certain that they were not a part of the stable scenery. They were, as I suspected, snow lying down and eventually sank of them got up and moved with reference to the others, enough to show that the white spots were really living animals. Had they been a little nearer than I estimated they might really have been bears. With confidence in my correct judgment of distance I immediately concluded however that they were caribou and decided to make hay while the sun shone and my compulsion slept. It took me less than two and a half hours to get within half a mile of the animals, but they were on exceptionally level ground and hard to approach. Had they been traveling in any definite

A New Island Discovered

WE now began some geographic exploration in a small way. In this coast had been only roughly charted by McClure so he said by it in the *Investigator* many miles off shore making half a century earlier. Our first discovery was that the land we were on, which McClure had taken for a part of the mainland, was really an island about seven miles in diameter and about four or five times the area of Norway Island. Eventually many months afterward, when the *Mary Sachs* had joined us we named this island after her captain, Peter Bernard.

Long before our arrival in Banks Island summer had commenced. The melting hills were beautifully green, reminding one of western Dakota on eastern Montana. The rivers had been pouring their waters into the sea for more than a month and their companion warmth had melted the ice in the vicinity of land, so that it was only as pronounced as a landing could be made without the use of the boat. There was just enough driftwood on the beach so that the killing of seals for fuel was no longer necessary, and we continued it, for the hunting of caribou on the grassy hill slopes is both easier and pleasanter than crawling like a snake over the slushy ice surfaces toward a floating seal. At first we needed a little seal blubber to eat with the caribou meat, for caribou are thin in the early spring. Until the middle of July we killed no more than we needed for food from day to day but in the latter part of July and throughout August we killed as many as we could comfortably take care of for the length of the skins suitable for clothing and the meat had become fat enough to be good eating. The hair at this season are much fatter and better eating than the cows and the older they are the more desirable for food. For economy in ammunition and also because of the excellence of their meat we killed mainly old males, and by the first part of September we had accumulated the allotment of forty hulls and about half a ton of hard fat.



Caribou after the first snowfall in late September

BEFORE leaving Alaska we had given instructions that the *North Star*, which I had purchased just before from Jim Newman Capt. Matt Andreasen, should be sent to Norway Island as soon as the ice conditions allowed. I had said that in the event of non-discovery of land north of Alaska, sun party would probably send near Norway Island and spend the summer there drying caribou meat for dog and man food for the coming year and accumulating skins for winter clothing. Our intention was to send the *North Star* at Norway Island and to proceed with her the month of possible to Prince Patrick Island, to spend there the coming winter. It was in anticipation of when arrival, on one possibility that we were accumulating those large stores of meat. The other possibility was that she might be prevented by ice conditions from coming in, which event we should need the meat and some of the fat on food to take in through the dark period of winter when hunting is difficult. This rest of the fat we needed for candle-light.

In some northern islands it is necessary to depend on animal fat also for fuel, but in Banks Island there is a small amount of driftwood enough so that fifteen or twenty miles of coast will provide fuel for a small camp for the winter if economically used. There is also here another variety of fuel, the *Andromeda Tetragona*, which we call "heathen"—an oily plant that grows in small bunches a few inches high. When once the fire is started heather will burn well even if soaking wet if a strong wind is available to fan the flame. In traveling on Banks Island we seldom went ten miles without finding a patch of it and when we had occasion to remain for a week or two in one place we were generally able to camp beside a good heather patch. It takes ten to fifteen minutes to gather enough fuel for cooking a meal. It burns much better often a day or so of sun drying so that at any permanent camp we used to devote half a day at a time to gathering and drying heather. When it was once day caribou skins protected our stores of it from the rain.

On a previous expedition I had spent four summers as a nomadic northern hunter so that the present experience was no longer novel though I still found it pleasant. What mainly detracts on the mainland from one's enjoyment of this kind of life is the pest of mosquitoes in the early summer and the sandflies later and fall. In Banks Island there were a few sandflies and mosquitoes but they were far less virulent than on the north coast of Canada or Alaska and it was only for about a week in midsummer that they were really bad.

Bernard Island is at the month of a river which in midsummer is only about knee-deep although it is a quarter of a mile wide. It was a comparatively large river for an island less than two hundred miles in diameter, as Banks Island is, and we occupied part of our time mapping it and its branches, and lived for several weeks at its north bank, about ten miles inland. Back of this camp was a high hill from the top of which with our glass we kept a sharp lookout for the moving hordes of caribou.

Watching for the Relief Ship

BUT a considerable part of the time we spent in watching the sea ice and wondering when it would break and move away from the coast, giving the *North Star* a chance to come up and find us. It was not till the first third of August was over that the ice finally moved to sea before an easterly wind. This was nearly as early as could be expected but no one had previously had the opportunity to study summer conditions on the west coast of Banks Island. We had fallen two or three weeks behind the continual anticipation of a possible break up of the ice. Every week it did go it left a fringe of grounded ice in the vicinity of land, presumably a belt of ice between Norway and Bernard Islands. No ship could therefore at this point have

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Ole Andreasen.

The latter part of August caribou on Banks Island had become fatter than we had ever seen them on the mainland. It was indeed a great temptation to kill as many as we could for all three of us considered fat caribou meat the greatest of delicacies, and we knew that unless we killed a sufficient number during the summer we should before spring if no ship came be reduced to the eating of the leaner winter killed animals. But after the 20th of August we ceased killing for storage, for the sun had now been up for ten days, and worry over the non-arrival of the ship began to overshadow the Swiss-Family Robinson hunting and providing spirit that had dominated us till then. Our conversation from day to day now centered the possible reasons for the non-appearance of the ship. The season might to have been a little earlier on the north coast of Alaska than it was with us, and the *North Star* should have left there in July and ought to have been at the south end of Banks Island when the ice cleared away in August. Within forty-eight hours after she should have been at Norway Island. By the last of August the ten days of open water had became twenty and it became thereby reasonably certain that, for one reason or another, our ship was not coming at all

Searching For the North Star

IT seemed just possible that the *North Star* might have been wrecked somewhere near the south end of Banks Island. We decided therefore to go to look for her. As a preliminary to that journey of search we excavated a huge pit among some rocks, cached there our stores of meat, tallow, and hides, and started south along the coast, with the six dogs carrying our bag gage on their backs. As we proceeded south the absence of ice made it continually more and more evident that some circumstances other than local conditions of navigation were keeping the *North Star* away.

Driftwood increased a little as we advanced toward Cape Kellett, and the land became more level and a little more fertile although there are very few parts of Banks Island that are not densely covered with grass. But seldom be came nearer as we traveled south and several years of experience have now shown us that the north end of the island is better supplied with animal life than the south end whether in winter or summer. In the northern half of Banks Island it has seldom befallen us any year that we have traveled to pass two whole days with out seeing caribou—but on our way from the north end to Cape Kellett in a distance of nine hundred miles we saw caribou only once in ten days. That was enough, however, for we had started with a week's supply of dried meat.

The season was now too late for geese but it was interesting to see that in the vicinity of the small lakes in the southern part of the island the ground was as white with the moulted feathers of the geese as if a light snow storm had just passed. We learned later that these are in the main or entirely the male white geese who spend the summer here by the million

Cape Kellett is a hook-shaped sand spit, projecting west into the ocean about eight miles from the southwest corner of Banks Island. There is behind it a sort of a harbor, although not a good one. Good harbors for ships of light draft are found every few miles from there northward along the west coast. But neither behind the cape nor elsewhere had we seen a ship. We were naturally a bit downhearted when on the evening of September 17th, we camped at the foot of the Kellett sandspit. It was not that we were in any fear for our lives, for we were still able to do one of two things—spend the whole winter in Banks Island and continue our explorations the following year, or cross to the North American mainland sometimes during the winter, either directly from Banks Island south across the ice sixty miles to Cape Parry, or else in the more accustomed way over Prince of Wales Straits to Victoria Island and thence to the mainland. But although we could have spent the winter in Banks Island and continued our explorations the following year, we should not have done so, for my companions were both homesick. That evening when I asked them if they were willing to continue the work of exploration with just the resources we had they both answered that, while they did not see any danger in the enterprise they were too anxious to get back to the mainland, where Storkersen had his family and where Andreasen had ambitions of a fortune in the fur trade, into which he would embark with the capital he had made as wages on the expedition. We had already made a good journey and had done safely a thing most people considered impossible, and that seemed enough to them and neither of them had any sympathy with my my desire to continue the work just then



Young snowy owls Banks Island.

One Discovery of Footprints

THE morning of September 18th we felt certain that no ship was in Banks Island, but to make assurance doubly sure we decided to go eight or ten miles beyond the cape. In this we had in mind not so much the possibility of finding a ship of our own, as a promise made by Hullin S. Mott, who had, when we last saw the *Polar Bear* on the north coast of Alaska, promised me that he would land on or near Cape Kellett during the following summer and leave there a small cache for me in case he had reason to think that no ships of my expedition had reached Banks Island. With the cache in mind I was remembering also that the *Polar Bear* had on board a party of Husband men who had often talked to me about their desire to hunt musk oxen in Banks Island. I kept my eyes on the ground even more than ordinarily in the hope of seeing footprints or other traces. And sure enough after a walk of three or four miles I found a footprint in a muddy spot but to my surprise it was not only remarkably fresh but showed a type of boot worn by many men of our expedition and not commonly by others. During the next three or four miles I came upon footprints in half a dozen places and it was not therefore entirely unexpected when six miles beyond the cape the masts of a schooner appeared from behind a hill



Stefansson on his arrival at Cape Kellett.

She was a mile away and I could not see her body, so I feared she might be at another cape the beach and might leave at any time. There are deep ravines along the coast, several of which I had to cross before getting near the ship, and as I took these at a run for fear the ship might set sail at any moment I was out of breath when, three or four hundred yards away, I came in sight of a camp on shore and realized that the ship was not in the water but had been hauled high and dry on the land. Further, I recognized the ship. It was not the *North Star*, which I had ordered to come to Norway Island, but the *Mary Sachs*, which, on account of her two propellers, was the least suited of our three ships for ice navigation and which I had instructed to carry freight for Doctor Anderson's party on an auxiliary to the *Alaska* to Coronation Gulf a route on which ice of a difficult character is not nearly so likely to be met as near Banks Island. I had instructed her commander, Captain Pete Bernard to come to Banks Island if he could but only after having hauled one cargo of goods near Carnwallis Gulf. I could not understand why the *Sachs* was there so soon for in the ordinary course of things she would have arrived in Banks Island after her Coronation Gulf trip only at the end of the season and the signs were abundant that she had in fact been at this point for a week or two.

They Thought We Were Dead

I WALKED quietly down the hill gradually regaining my breath, and the men who were at work building a sod house gave me an occasional glance but without much interest, for as I learned later, two members of their party were hunting inland and they took me to be one of them returning. I was within ten yards when Jim Crawford, engineer on the *Sachs*, recognized me and in his surprise dropped whatever it was he was holding. In a fraction of a second he had to readjust all his ideas for it seemed that he with everybody else in our expedition had long ago regarded that we were dead. It was not easy to say whether Captain Bernard or Thomson or the Eskimo section of the party was the most surprised but it was clear a quarter of an hour later when the steward of the *Sachs*, William Bouchat, came back from a hunt. Just around the point, that he was easily the most surprised of all. The steward had been in the Arctic for twenty years with various whaling captains and had during the last three or four months been explaining from his bountiful knowledge of Arctic conditions, to every one willing to listen just why we must have died long ago and why it was impossible that anything should ever be heard from us again. When he walked into the tent where Captain Bernard and I were drinking coffee he dropped on the floor the dock he was bringing in and I saw physiological justifications for the figure of speech that a man's eyes 'stick out of his head."

I learned within the first hour or two the reasons for the non appearance of the *North Star* and the presence of the *Sachs*. Mr Wilkins, according to my instructions had set sail early from the Alaska coast with the *North Star*, and had arrived at Herschel Island some days ahead of either the *Mary Sachs* or the *Alaska*, but unfortunately had not yet set sail when they arrived. Ogilvie at Herschel Island seems to have been so definite on the point of being lost that no one saw any reason why any ship should come to Banks Island to carry out instructions I had given looking forward to the continuation for several years of exploratory work of the expedition. A thing which I had never considered was unmistakably uppermost in every one's mind, and that was their ill, contrary to all reason my party should be alive and in Banks Island, we should be in need of rescue or at least in need of supplies on which to live through the winter

Why My Plans Had Been Changed

I HAD bought the *North Star* for the specific purpose of following the west coast of Banks Island northward through the ribbon of open water that commonly forms in the early summer between the land-fast ice and the land. She was adapted to this work by her extraordinarily light draft of four feet two inches and her success a year later in this particular sort of navigation demonstrated in Banks Island what she had often before shown on the mainland coast of America—that, although she was small she had particular qualifications for reaching places which other ships found it difficult to attain. But the work I had planned for her was exploratory work, whereas no one has thought of anything but the possible assistance we might need in Banks Island. So the *North Star* was taken to Coronation Gulf and the *Mary Sachs* diverted from her Coronation Gulf voyage, because she could carry a cargo twice as large as the *Star*, and with this she was sent to Kellett. Wilkins who had previously intended to take the *North Star* exactly where I had told him to, was now transferred from the command of the *Alaska* to that of the *Sachs*. He brought her to Kellett by way of Cape Bathurst, but on the way one of her propellers which might cut at awkward angles from the sides of the *Sachs*, had struck a cake of ice, breaking the shaft.

The *Sachs* accordingly arrived at Kellett in a crippled condition the last week of August. She found some ice pressing down on the cape and rounding it was difficult. Although Wilkins did not seem to have had any serious expectation of finding us in Banks Island, he would undoubtedly have quenched Kellett had he had the *North Star* or any other ship the propeller of which was located amidships. But going into the ice with only one of twin propellers working and that one located in such a way as to be almost sure to strike any cake of ice that came near, and furthermore, seeing that the *Sachs* was otherwise not in very good condition, he quite properly decided to spend the winter at Cape Kellett. The plan was that, after building a comfortable base and killing enough caribou for a winter's supply of meat, they would pass the dark period at Kellett and make a journey northward along the Banks Island coast after the sun came back

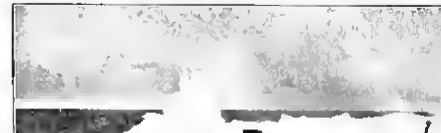


Unloading the "Mary Sachs" at Banks Island before Stefansson's party found her

"looking for traces" of our party

ON arrival at Kellett I at once considered the possibility of relaunching the Sachs to proceed northward for the ice that had intimidated Wilkins two weeks earlier was now completely gone and the sea was as open as the Atlantic off Sandy Hook But the *Sachs* was high on the land and could not be launched without some means of sliding her into the water, and we had none available. Even with the beams it would have taken a week or ten days to get her launched and started, and it was already near the middle of September, which in some years is the end of the season of navigation while other years navigation is possible into October. It was soon seen to be inevitable that the winter must be spent at Kellett, and we began to adjust ourselves to that unfortunate situation.

On our way south along the west coast of Banks Island we had built beacons here and there on prominent hills thinking that some foggy night the *North Star* might pass us. These beacons included records contain-



The new Shallow ice with scattered seal and bear meat on the edge of the wide lead that delayed 10th early eleven days.

(The white belt on the horizon is ice blink a reflection in the sky of ice beyond the open w



The Caribou hunting camp thirty miles northeast of Cape Kellett

ing news for the *North Star* that the most southerly beacon built just before reaching Kellett, containing no record because we had then despaired of any ship coming. I had merely scribbled a hasty note for my companions who were a few miles behind me telling them to camp half a mile to the southwest of the beacon. When they passed the beacon they had read my note and had left it there. The following morning Wilkins, who was hunting caribou several miles inland, saw this beacon with his field glasses, and realizing that it had not been there the day before he hurried over. From his brief reference to making camp half a mile away he reconstructed correctly the situation, for he was familiar with my hunting and traveling methods. He knew that when we travel I have the ease and sleds, or pack dogs, as the case may be follow far enough behind me so that I have ample time to approach and kill any necessary game. He recognized that our party was still intact, or that at least two of us were alive, so when he arrived at Kellett the night of the 13th he was not surprised to find every one safe and well.

There was nothing to do now but continue the preparations for wintering which Wilkins had already energetically begun. After a few days of rest I sent Storkersen with his family who had come with the *Sachs* and Crawford and Andreasen with a boat north along the coast to establish an advance camp as far to the north as possible. They were able to go north only about thirty miles when the increasing cold of approaching autumn froze them in. Wilkins and I meantime, with the Eskimo Markoosie went about thirty miles northeast into the interior to establish the hunting camp which was to supply both men and dogs with fresh meat for the winter

Mr Stefansson's narrative will be continued in the next number

JULIA ARTHUR *was one of the stars of stagedom who responded most loyally to the need for providing entertainment for the soldiers. During the spring and summer of 1918 she toured the cantonments in the United States giving readings and taking part in the programmes that were arranged for the doughboys. She found these soldiers in the making quick to respond to any war selection that had the real spirit of the trenches and so, when a friend of hers, another Canadian, Miss Agnes C Laut, wrote her suggesting that she use the poems by Robert W Service that were appearing in* MACLEAN'S, *she decided to try them. They made an instantaneous and tremendous hit. Miss Arthur gave "The Blood-Red Fouragerre" from one end of the United States to the other and her audiences literally raised the roof on every occasion. Thanks to the use that Miss Arthur made of it this stirring Service poem did a great deal to fire the enthusiasm of the American recruit, and perhaps had its share in stimulating the heroism of Chateau-Thierry and the Argonne. Nothing that Miss Arthur had in her repertoire created such unbounded applause as the vigorous poetry that Mr. Service was giving out at the time through* MACLEAN'S MAGAZINE *"The Blood-Red Fouragerre," by the way was published in April* MACLEAN'S, *1918*

And so it is particularly pleasing to be able to present a recent picture of Miss Arthur on the cover of this issue which sees the start of a new series of Service poems for the two names are to-day associated in the minds of many score thousand American soldiers. It was not necessary, however to have any special reason for selecting Julia Arthur to appear on the cover of MACLEAN'S. *She is unquestionably one of the best known of Canadians*

The Arch Strategist

A Story of Love and a Ouija Board

By EDITH G. BAYNE

ILLUSTRATED BY W. VAN WERVEKE

PETER DEANE had never heard of the elder Mr. Weller nor his celebrated piece of advice to his son regarding widows. For if he had, he would probably never have gone cavorting in the *Molly Jane* in the first place and therefore the somewhat delicate situation in which he found himself as a result of the last ride would never have arisen. Peter was never one to spurn kindly advice. Among the men he was considered "long headed" which is one of the friendliest tributes one man can pay another and so, deeming him shrewd enough to look after himself they had allowed him to rush headlong to his doom—though possibly that last is putting it a bit strong. One could scarcely connect Mrs. Patricia Wyatt with a hapless ward like that. Life with her would be just one lobster salad after another.

The *Molly Jane* was Mrs. Wyatt's runabout. Peter had walked to the village on this cloudless August afternoon to see about the mending of a bit of harness and to bring his mail, and just east of the Eight Elms—the old Minafer place—the widow had hailed him up. Then, the car being newly tired and in the best of running order and its owner newly attired too (alone a recent little smuggling expedition to the other side of the St. Lawrence) she needs must take a spin along the speedway and around by Cottee's Grove and back thus passing as many houses and as many buggies, wagons and pedestrians as possible.

Behold Peter then after she had set him down finally at the gate of his own place walking rather wearily up to the house where, upon entering his bachelor kitchen he immediately beheld a not unfamiliar sight—to wit, his table covered with a number of toothsome home-made viands in and on pantry-cool dishes and plates and covered with plenty napkins. She had been there first, on her way down! Oh well for all her aggravating little ways she was a good sport. She performed her generous deeds on the quiet—didn't want to be thanked. That reminded him he had forgotten to thank her for that real bit of good things two weeks or so ago. Peter frowned with annoyance not at his inforgetfulness, but at the thought of all the obligations these would-be eponymous donations put him to. Hang it all! It would take three strawberry festivals, a corn husking and a harvest home supper to wipe out his indebtedness, and by that time the eccentricity genius would have attained the volume and proportions of a tornado.

In the midst of his frowning, however he sniffed longingly at the palate-pleading odors that filled the cozily little kitchen. When you have lived interminably on salt pork boiled potatoes, blackstrap, baker's bread and canned beef—or something about the aroma of newly baked bread and scones and fresh sugared doughnuts that partakes almost of the celestial. Peter uncovered a plate of jelly rolls and prodded them with a speculative forefinger. They were warm yet. He leaned down and smelt of a bowl of rich soup. It reminded him, with sudden force, of his mother's soups. He ran his tongue over his lips and gulped; and then he saw a small loaf of walnut bread and gulped harder. These gulps had to do strictly with the smallness of the appetite however. There were doughnuts and dainty ham and tongue sandwiches and there was a lemon pie with a thick rich meringue the color of a gold-tipped sunset cloud. Peter straightened up and drew his eyes reluctantly away from these to survey his face over to the cracked mirror above the washbench.

He looked at his image with a kind of stern appraisal. What in thunder did she see in him anyway? With vague disquietude, not to say alarm, he realized that he was growing old. He had been realizing it for some time, to be sure, but now he almost wished he the full force of it struck him there in the harsh light from the uncurtained window. Growing old! And he was a lonely man and always must he considering that of blood relatives he had none. Surely if there was a woman willing, not to say eager, to have him it were the part of wisdom and expediency to close the deal. She too—well—*she* wasn't exactly young either. Peter continued to stand before his reflection eyeing each feature with cold severity—a plain face lightened one not (usually not) by sombre dark eyes unsmiling mouth, rather large nose, grey-flecked black hair, and the sum of a bayonet would just undo his right ear. Suddenly he laughed harshly.

"I'll do it!" he said grimly. "I'll do it if Jim'll buy those forty acres! By the living jingo I'll do it!"

He turned and made as though to take up the milk pails, but his eye encountered the table fleet and he stood, considering. He took up a scone and ate it reverently. He ate five in rapid succession! Then he lried a doughnut.

"I ought to milk first," he muttered with a glance at the noisy little clock on the shelf. "I ought to. But I won't."

Thereupon he drew up a chair and went about the pleasant task of eating in a way that would have kindled pity as well as delight in the eyes of the lone cook could she have witnessed it. Filled to repletion he rose at length and taking up his pails, hied him leisurely to the stables. As the milk shot into the pail with the customary tinkling that had become musical monotony to him he gazed and across the dewy meadow, through the open stable doors and fell to wondering what they made all this fuss about romance and marriage for. It was infinitely better to make mateless a strictly business proposition. He and the widow now—

Here old Belinda slapped his cheek with her tail and he roared out and home upon her and shifted his stool more to the right.

"I'll go see and see Jim to-night," Peter muttered. "I'll have it settled before I sleep or—here *you!*"



"If you persist, the board recommended "in your decision of a sacred promise—"

SO, when the last chore was done, he took his way across the upper pasture and through the clover meadow by the brook to the old brown home with the twinkling lights that greeted Pine Hill Hees dwell he eldest friend and neighbor James Baller, a not unworthy little man, but one who wore a permanently mashed air. He was the husband of the best housekeeper in Dunnville County. Perhaps that explains it.

As Peter vaulted the snake fence and approached the porch door, the shrill voices of the lady of the house assailed his ears. He could also hear her stepping briskly about within. He stopped, considering. Sounds like poor old Jim getting a tongue thrashing," he reflected. "Maybe I'd better—"

The screen door swung violently open and the thin, angular form of Mrs. Butler appeared. She carried a pail of something which she threw out.

"—An' I've told you a *hundred* times if I've told you once," she was saying, emphatically, "never to—"

Then the door slapped to and Peter remained, still irresolute, just south of the current bushes. But presently he decided to go forward. He might be able to save Jim from the rest of the lecture. It wouldn't be the first time he had arrived thus fortuitously to—

"Sorry? Hmh!" Mrs. Butler snorted as she wrung a dish towel end slapped it over the drying rack. "I assume to be pretty nearly all seamy—where it aint patches. Get out an' split up that kindlin' an' leave me esom to turn around for pity's sake! An' mind an' come in the back way so s the flour gits a chance to dry in that Bobby I hear comin' in the porch?" she added, sharply.

"Hi, you Bobby!" sang out Jim. "Your maw says you gotta wipe them feet 'foe you—oh it's *Peter!* Come in come in!"

"Thanks. Not this time," said Peter. "Evening, Mrs. Butler. I— come over to take a look at that heifer, Jim."

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IN a distant corner of the barnyard, seated on the edge of a disrupted hayrick, Peter and Jim by a somewhat devious conversational route that, begin ning with the weather and the crops and passing on to a sick cow and the need for more fertilizer in the west field appeared to lead to no ultimate object, finally arrived at a state of understanding and the exchange of man to-man confidences. Jim wasn't exactly prepared yet to proceed to purchase the forty acres of bush land. Peter said it didn't much matter anyway as he'd kind of changed his mind just in the last half hour or so.

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Peter noticed that Mrs. Butler watched every step with held breath and only gave vent to it when her husband after walking like a cat on hot bricks gained the comparative security of the verandah.

Life-sentence himself to that? H'm!

IN a distant corner of the barnyard, seated on the edge of a disrupted hayrick, Peter and Jim by a somewhat devious conversational route that, begin ning with the weather and the crops and passing on to a sick cow and the need for more fertilizer in the west field appeared to lead to no ultimate object, finally arrived at a state of understanding and the exchange of man to-man confidences. Jim wasn't exactly prepared yet to proceed to purchase the forty acres of bush land. Peter said it didn't much matter anyway as he'd kind of changed his mind just in the last half hour or so.

He told Jim his trouble told it curtly, half savagely as if one discharging a most uncongenial task, as in deed it was. The whole instinct of his nature was against casting even the faintest verbal reflection upon the intentions of a lady.

"Of course, it may be only her little way Jim. She's—she's awful friendly and easy to make up to. But—well to-day she squeezed my hand and quoted them lines from Longfellow. You know—"

"Eh? Longfellow? Poetry, you mean? Say, this looks serious all right! What lines was she—"

"Oh about life being short and time fleeting. It looked to me like a strong hint. And this aint leap year. I'm plumb up against it, Jim."

Jim shook his head helplessly and sighed.

"I take it you don't like her then, he hazarded at last.

"Well, I don't dislike her."—I might have per to like her if—

"Yeah?" as Peter paused.

"Well, if she'd let me do the rushing. It s a man's place to do the courting, Jim. You know that."

Jim was silent and in the gloom Peter didn't see his glance stray to the distant kitchen window.

"You did your own courting Jim, didn't you?" Peter pursued.

"It's so long ago I've clean forgot, Peter. My wife was a widda woman an—as—*they* got a knack with them you see." Then he added loyally, "Mary Ann's a darned good housekeeper."

"Well, a man'll put up with a whole lot for the sake of well-cooked meals Jim. Mrs. Wyatt, she—she cooks like all possessed."

"Does she now? A body wouldn't think she'd get time she spends so much time runnin' round in that dinky contraption o' hers!"

"I wish I knew what to do about it. I'm getting on, Jim. I don't know what she sees in me, but I'm a lucky guy if I could just realize it."

"The Lord knows it mus' your looks," said Jim, cordially. "Why don't you wash the same dodge on her as you did on that Miss what-d-ye-call-her? Tell her you got heredit ry cancer or that there's insanity in the family?"

Peter's face was wasn

"Well I haven't got a family for one thing and in any case it wouldn t make a particle of difference what I said. She—she s a determined sort. Jim. The affair with Miss Spiffee was mild compared to this. Right this minute I've got lumbago, hat il wouldn't faze Mrs. Wyatt any."

"I tell you what I believe," said Jim suddenly, like one who is struck by a haught idea. "I believe you've got what they call pers'nal magnetism. Yep. *That* must be it!"

Peter started in some alarm.

"Is it catching?" he asked nervously then.

"Nope, Peter. It aint. That's the worst of it. I'm some older'n you an' I never had it in all my life. So how can I give you advice? There s somethin' about you the women like on' that they fell for. I'm surprised you aint conceited!) Have you told the lady that your cousin's was oil blazer, a glory in phoney oil stock? *That's* a test for your life Peter."

"Yes I tried that, wrinkle see. She's pretty well fixed herself and li didn't startle her at all. A man's nigh desperate when he'll admit a lack of judgment, Jim. You see my case don't you? I tell you I don t hankee for single blessedness and at the same time I refuse to be brutal! What in Hollifax is a man to do?"

She don't wear pigtails now. Think a minute. That was five or six years ago—afore the war. She's pushin in twenty-four or five I reckon. Well, this is my idea, Peter, an you can take it or leave it you must make love your alibi!"

Alibi! Whe!—"

Now wait. With a female strategist (Jim pronounced it stra-tegee-gul) like the widdy you gotta use diplomacy (Jim accented the *dip*) an fight fire with fire. You—"

"Don't talk so loud!" and Peter glanced over his shoulder again fancying he heard a scuttle in the garden nearby. "Why do you push on the little Minafer girl? I'm not setting out to break any hearts myself Jim. I just want to get out of this tangle as easy and as quick as it's possible to—"

"I know. The reason I thought o Mettie—yes Mattie to the name, I remember! thought o Mattie Minafer is because I hear tell she s a mon heter—a hitter we. So she'd have no feelin's to reconsider. Call round on her some—just enough to shake the widdy an' gi'l folks to talkin—"

Peter groaned.

"If they talk much more there tongues'll be penalyzed ons of these days' he said gloomily. "Well, guess I'll sounds creasy, but I m a desperate man."

Mattie has had chances galore," Jim went on. "She s tuened down half-a-dozen decent young fellas. You see her pa didn t eeceily treat her ma right on somethin, an anyway hee ma helm more or less so invoiced, Peter, the girls had everything to do lone-handed. They re livin' on in the old place but the land's sold an all they keep is a cow now, but even so her ma s e great ease an' the girls fed up with housework an who can blame her for wantin' to holi? She s a right smart little girl, but she s never had a chance. Jast week, week, week from the time she was nine or ten year old. I've heard tell she used to milk seventeen news an' you know that big house meets nigh killed hee sweepin an washin an all. She held every one o' them fellas at bay and she had the mind to change hee mode o life unless she could better it. She s teachin' herself e business course by mail on' soon's she can lend a job she s goin' to take her ma an' live in town. She likes the country an' doesn't care for town much, but she says she's goin' to really live some day. There's hee words."

"Mattie you say?" That's a neal name.'

"Martha, by rights. She's pot a Mory spirit on' disposition but the Mertha life has been thrust on hee an' it e turned her into a kind o machine I e pose. Hee pa died some few years back—while you was at the front I guess. Mind him?"

Peter gave a grunt of assent.

He gave me an awful hiding once for stealing apples" he remarked. "But this isn't clear yet, Jim. What am I to do? Pretend to rush her?"

"Do as you please. Drop in on her an' bosery a bout me make a date to talk to the old lady. She don t get out at all an' they keep to themselves so people think they're stuck up I s pose. Gil the habit o' calling there an the wilds if she's et all sharp oughts take the hint. Harm'll be done no one. You don't care an' Mettie won't. Chances are ten to one she'll treat you like a piece furniture. But I take it it o e cause any peril in a storm?"

"I sure is, Jim. Well, I'd best be hoofing it. I'll think the scheme over. As you say it isn't like me though it was tuguing anyone."

No. Keep that afore you. Mattie aint goin to shine up to the tormin' fraternity. You se as safe with her as—as a dish o' cold on a hotepond. She s a frosty little maon quite out o reach o the lithes o men. But this is one time she's goin to help a honest man-erature—only she won't know a thing about it! Good luck, Peter."

BUT Peter Deane as he strolled homeward over the dew-drenched pasture land was in anything but an exultant freme of mind. The scheme wasn't on the square somehow. Nevertheless all week long as often as he put the idea from him it returned and the day Mrs. Wyatt caught him on the telephone and in cooing tones invited that Friday evening was free and his company would be welcome—mere that she had some thing very very important to ask him—he took the plunge and told her he had a previous engagement. So, to make good his word he was obliged to put in an appearance somewhere on that evening and the Minafer place being as good as any and the nearest to reach, Peter tacked off across his ten acre summer fallow field and taking a short cut through the sugar-maple grove found himself finally at the white gates of Eight Elms and without any valid excuse for going further.

Few men who have not been ardently pursued by a fascinating widow—a wise widow at that—will possibly understand or have sympathy for Peter Deane. Good-natured to a fault unwilling to hurt even a mouse unnecessarily, shivalrous to a degree and not amenable for all his thirty-three years and odd bairns he was vastly puzzled and not a little queasome over the persistent way Fate was keeping his peace-loving existence stirred up. He hated letting his telephone hang by its cord—it annoyed content and turned away business of his own. He hated not thanking people for gifts—but the more you thanked them the more they sent. He disliked being curt and grumpy—for he was a pleasant natuee and he possessed the happy faculty of believing the best of a person until it was proven he—or she—was undeserving of the good opinion.

What was the about harrowing a book that Jim had suggested? Lucky he had remembered! As Peter opened the palm gates strode up the gravel drive and, mounting the three broad steps knocked loudly on the panels of the front door—a severe-looking done without a bell. There was an old brass knocher which Peter didn't lay that merely gussed at curiously and overhead was a helf'mon branm of colored glass. The white feame house was a county landmark and the fratures 1846 in the glass gave its venerable age away.

HIS knocking was answered promptly by Miss Mattie Minafer, trig and cool and a little disdainful as he could see even in the moonlight. She wore a neat pink print dress and sure enough, the pigtails were no more. See at least they were on her head now in a loose, unstudied allesotive mass—like corn silk, so Peter thought.

"Good evening," said Peter.

"Good evening?" responded Miss Mattie as in politeness bound.

"I seme to borrow a book—if I might."

"A book?"

"Any—any kind of a book, you know."

"Come in, please."

Peter entered and Miss Mattie turned up a brushet-lamp nearby and regarded him with detached interest. A former name to borrow a book!

"I see you having had quite a little library I thought I might perhaps borrow a volume—now and then," explained Peter easily, though the recollection of the late William Minafer's literary habits had just occurred to him—the sounding on new to the lang even ings you know—

"You see welcome to any books we have," stated Miss Mattie politely. "But I m afraid they will hardly interest you. Hi wins se and life in his tastes—the cu ell sciences you know."

"Yes I remember. Supermarium, wasn't it?"

"Splendium," corrected Miss Mattie in her loyal school-ma'am manner. (She had taught the village school three terms.)



Peter Deane had ever heard of the elder Mr. Weller he could never have gone in the Molly Jane, Mrs. Wyatt's runabout.

"Whatever it is," said Peter, coddling. "That'll do, I guess, as well as anything."

Miss Mattie led the way to the living-room where a tall glassed-in bookcase stood.

"Take your choice," she said, swinging back the doors.

Peter pulled out a volume at random. It was "The Science of Table-Rapping."

"This sounds—er—interesting. I'll take it. Could—could I come back for another on Tuesday night?"

"Certainly," responded Miss Mattie. "But come to the side door please. It's the one we use most. I mightn't here heard you to-night only I was just going upstairs with mother's hot milk."

"Thanks," said Peter picking up his hat. "I hope your one keeps fairly well?"

"Oh just so-so. By the way you mustn't tell her you're studying—that," and Miss Mattie indicated the book with a nod. "She thinks spiritism wicked—says it's doubting God."

Peter thought he sensed an implied reproof in this. "What do you think? he asked.

She shook her head.

"I have an opinion on the subject," she said coldly, "It takes me all my spare moments perfecting my shorthand."

PETER saw very uneasy all the rest of the week. Good heavens! Was she really taking that Stone incident *seriously?* He spent Sunday afternoon in the barn left reading "The Spirit Word" and thinking of breach-of-promise Strategies! Why, she was a female Fiend, that's what she was! And Peter fairly haunted the Minafer place the week following, arriving so early and so often he was beginning to feel like a boarder. He grew into an odd habit too of looking back over his shoulder, but whether it was a disembodied spirit he dreaded to see or the full and ruriel ing form of the pretty widow, he could scarcely have told. He made a tentative effort at confiding in Miss Mattie one night.

"You know Seaguya's Stone up on Indian Point?" he commenced nonsalently.

Miss Mattie glanced up from her notebook and nodded. Peter leaned her clear blue eye and rubbing the leaves of his book went on hurriedly:

"There's a — a sort of story about it, isn't there?"

"A legend yes."

"Is it true" I mean do people put stock in it?"

"Oh yes," said Miss Mattie gravely. "I've heard of a lot of people who deserved it and came to grief. It is evidently one of those legends that we *must believe*—can believe."

'Would you mind telling me all you know about it?" said Peter's anxiety was ill-disguised.

"There isn't much to tell. This tall flat rock stands at the extreme end of the Point—a promontory in fact it is. There's just room enough for two people on it and there are two pairs of footprints, a man's and a woman's. They look as though they had been there since the Upheaval. Sequoyah was an Indian maiden who took a white lover—a soldier and there used to kill him and throw him into the deep water below—they say you can't find bottom there—if he didn't marry her. The inference is that he gave in. But to this day the girl and her male companion who climb that rock and place their feet in the stony footprints of those early lovers—"

"Yes?" Peter prompted breathlessly as Mattie paused presumably for the purpose of making her ending the more impressive. "Yes?"

"—must marry!"

"Must!" exclaimed Peter his brows close-drawn

'Absolutely must or all sorts of trouble will come to them."

"I—let's get out the board and have a little go at the spirits. What say?"

Peter's air of levity would have deceived a shrewder person even, than Miss Minafer. They seated themselves at opposite sides of a small table and placed the finger-tips of both hands on the onija-board. Then they fell into a more or less trance-like state which they termed "concentration." But for a long time the onija remained unresponsive. Miss Minafer her red lips open and her eyes shut, finished whispered the question Peter asked, relaying them on to the spirit world with at least a semblance of faith. Peter relied on her wholly. Being the child of her father she couldn't help but have "a pull" with those strange beings behind the veil!

"Shall I take the plunge?" whispered Peter breathing thickly and forgetting to elucidate to his medium what it was he intended to plunge into.

"Better—go—slow." The board spelled out slowly after a long wait.

"What must I do?"—next question.

"Always—do—the—right—thing"—reply.

Peter's face wore a puzzled frown as they rose from their seance at length the ouija having closed up like an oyster after its two sorrowful remarks.

"Miss Mattie," he began as he took up his hat and began to brush it with his coat sleeve (though it was quite a new hat and Peter was never anything but well groomed when "dressed up") "Miss Mattie, you always put things so clearly I've a mind to ask your advice on a matter that—well, I'm in a fix. Horns of a dilemma. You know what I mean."

"Between the—the Old Nick and the Ocean?"

"Exactly."

"State the case."

"I can't. That's the trouble!"

"But innuendoes don't help much, Mr Deane."

"Once or twice you've called me Peter."

"Peter, then."

"That's better," said Peter with intense satisfaction his dilemma forgotten now. "I feel favored you should call me by my given name. I hear tell you don't like farmers."

"I don't."

"Why?"

"Perhaps not the man so much as the life, Peter," said the girl slowly. "Now you—"

"I, what?" he prompted eagerly as she broke off.

"You're different," said Mattie reflectively. "You read and study. And—and once about twelve years ago my life was saved in a particularly gallant way by a young farmer. I have never forgotten him, Peter. I always liked *him*."

Her last words were very low. But he heard.

"Who—" he was beginning and then he stopped.

He looked at her. Then he looked away. That blush could mean but one thing. She loved that knight of the soil, whoever he was. With difficulty Peter held his curiosity in check. Unrequited love? Pride? Prejudice?

And very suddenly his dilemma settled itself. Peter watched for a moment longer the bright, downbent head the slim fingers pinning a fold of her cgnac, the lingering rose-color in her cheek. Then he went away, with the briefest possible good bye.

Mattie stood watching his tall loose-limbed form till it melted into the dark and the distance beyond the elms. She went back to her books and practised feverishly for half an hour. She was geloing both in speed and accuracy.

ON Sunday Peter walked over to Mrs. Wyatt's. But on the way he dwelt over again upon an odd and not unpleasant thrill which he had experienced twice that week when on study bent to the old living-room at Miss Minafer's. Peter was not usually introspective or disposed to self analysis but he wondered why, when they had both reached for a dropped pencil and their hands had met briefly, just why his whole being had been filled with a strange turbulence. Again, she had nonmired a stick pin made from a piece of shell and he had removed it and shown it to her and in restoring it to her breast had felt his good taste to desecrise—in a casual and almost indifferent way too but his heart had responded in a manner that was truly perplexing. The widow invished fulsome praise on him at all times yet never had waxen words of hers made his heart do a bordle. So Peter pondered and he recalled a number of pleasing things that had nothing whatever to do with Mrs. Patricia Wyatt—the shadow on a Puritan shrek of thick curling lashes, the rare smile of lips that had never known the touch of lipstick being of Nature's own red full formed and —well, provocative, only Peter didn't think of that term; glinty, brown gold hair full of unpinned sunshafts, hair that his hands itched to touch, to smooth or to rumple as the mood swayed him; cool rieer blue eyes that would have been childlike but for that treading wistfulness that darkened them as often. Peter shook off thoughts of these things with some difficulty.

On the following evening he announced to Miss Mattie that he and Mrs. Wyatt were to be married in two weeks time. She received the news in silence. Mrs. Minafer who had taken lately to coming downstairs in the evening was quite voluble, however. She left off complaining of the dampness and the rheumatism and the prices of garden produce and congratulated Peter. She praised the widow's looks, her vivacity, her friendliness, her house and her sex and all things else that were here, until the prospective groom was nearly sick. The only thing she didn't was her strategy, but possibly Mrs. Minafer was ignorant of the superior quality of the charming widow.

"Yes Peter, you're a lucky man," repeated the old lady in her high thin voice as she nodded at him from her cushioned easy-chair by the cool-stove. "And October weddings are always the nicest for country folks. To tell you the truth, Peter, I was getting real anxious about you and this spirit stuff. It's made you awful solemn or something. You used to be a rare *winchanious* lad Peter. The widow Wyatt will be just the one to perk you up again. Oh you

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The UNDERCURRENTS

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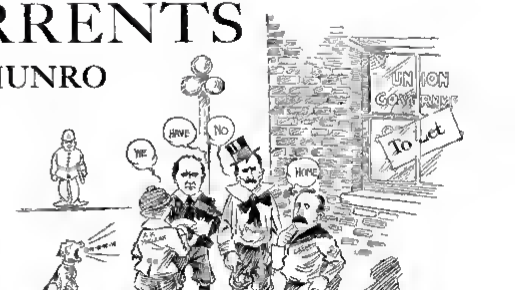
THIS Parliament of ours suffered from the spring fever. Along through April it resembled nothing so much as that uncertain month itself. It had its splashes of sunshine and its fleeting cloods and through its general drowsiness you could always feel that there was warmer weather ahead. And more than all it was a session of waiting for something to turn up. It saw little that was exciting and nothing that was portentous but it developed the facts that Sir Robert Borden and not Sir Thomas White is still the controller of Unuse destinies and that Daniel Duncan McKenzie is more of a leader than his nominators thought or wished. And it proved yet again that the crack of the whip will still bring the Government forces to heel on any or all questions.

They're great talkers, these Unionists, and the habit is growing on them. The quietest afternoon is liable to develop an oratorical wind-storm should some rareless member stub his toe on something that gives any sort of a pretext. Even Dr Michael Clark, the king hee of every talking match he takes part in is growing loquacious. Time was when he made one or two great speeches during a session and let it go at that. Now he talks on everything in an evident attempt to prove that he is no prohibi on he is magnetic. Most people can find an excuse for him. But there are others—men like Nicholson of Algoma, Vien of Lethbiiage and Fedlow of Renfrew—who should hire a hall. They probably think they were sent to Ottawa to enlighten the nation. They forget that it costs $10 000 a day to run this law factory and that there are other ways of practising economy besides buying thrift stamps.

But this talk habit is epidemic. It starts with the acting Prime Minister and extends clear through to the back benches on both sides of the House. Sir Thomas White has, to fact, been one of the worst offenders on several occasions. Nobody blamed him when he juggled figures for hours in discussing the War Extension Bill. That's a Finance Minister's prir lege. He has to grave that he knows his end of the game down to the last cent. And when you're whittling hundreds of millions down through the decimals it takes time. But when he treated titles and the Smart-Pantt charges in the same extended fashion people began to ask what was the matter. And the new popularity of the financial Knight found him his excuse. It was pointed out that he was heading troubles that weren't his own. In the titles argument he was travelling under orders cabled from headquarters in Paris that further additions to the Canadian aristocracy must be considered by a committee. In the Smart-Pantt charges he was defending appointees of a Government of which he was temporarily in charge. He did the best he could under the circumstances and if he did stammer a bit and lapse in to his old partiality for the personal pronoune who shall blame him?

The Temper of Parliament

BUT that titles debate taken in connection with the Daylight Saving fiasco did mark to reveal the temper of Parliament. The House as a whole was more strongly in favor of the abolition of titles than it was against the adoption of Daylight Saving. But in the latter case it was allowed to vote as it pleased while in regard to titles though Sir Thomas White stated that the question was in an sense a party one, the report was spread at the last minute that repudiation of the Borden orders meant the resignation of the Government. How they did scurry for cover and what a sigh of relief went up when the clerk's count showed that the Union flag was still flying at the masthead!



In case of a realignment of parties where would these orphans go?

For on just one thing is the whole House as one. Individually, severally and collectively it doesn't want an election. There are more in the Cabinet who believe that, if the Government would take the bull by the horns and go to the country on the tariff issue, it could come back with a good working majority. For he it known that Quebec is not more free trade in sentiment than is Ontario, that British Columbia is not in accord with the farmers' fetish, that Manitoba would not split worse than fifty fifty and the Maritime Province electors can be depended on to vote on their fathers did before them. Than why not go? And the answer comes: 'Why go?"

THIS Parliament has in addition to the present session three long years of life. Moreover it is practically insured against premature or sudden death.

"There are too many political orphans in this House for the Government to fear defeat," remarked a wise old Liberal-Unionist who comes from a Free Wheat constituency. He might also have remarked that there were a number of Ministers among the 'political orphans." For, in case of a realignment of parties where would Hon Wesley Rowell, Hon James Calder, Hon A. L. Sifton or Hon A. K. Maclean get off to? So the political orphans will keep the Government alive not only that it may work out the great problems of reconstruction but also that it may try to build up a home for the politically homeless. Also it has interpreted its mandate from the people to mean that, besides winning the war it was to put the country back on a peace and prosperity footing. And, having announced that it so understood its mission, it could hardly change its mind and go back for a fresh mandate. Moreover Sir Robert Borden is its Premier. Whether he intends to continue as such or to see his elevated position on a vantage point from which to step into a more permanent job is beside the question. In either case he'll hang on. And all the more so that he never can see anyone someone is pushing him. At present these who might push are holding him back.



But if Sir Robert and his orphans do not want an election—and the Opposition are just as anxious to stave one off till after their August convention anyway—it must not be imagined that all is as peaceful to the political depths as the sunny surface would indicate.

Paving For Night or Blucher

PARLIAMENT had up to the end of the Easter recess been in session for nine weeks or just as long as the entire session of a year ago. During that time it had hardly nibbled at the Government program. To be sure it passed Hon. Wesley Rowell's bill creating a Health Department, but not till it had run out the social welfare part of it and been assured that the total number of members of the Cabinet was not to be increased. But it balked on the Highways legislation. Western members wanted to build railways instead of roads while Tory members, whose patronage had been put off just enough to see the fun in heeding money over to be spent by Provincial Governments of the Grit persuasion which were not converts to the principles of civil service or any other variety of reform. And, with that measure held up the Cabinet simply lay down on their jobs and started praying for night or Blucher—Mr. Bluchere other name being Borden.

Never in the history of Parliament has so much time been spent with so little to show for it. And yet nobody seemed to worry much. It was a good-natured House that talked by day and schemed by night, and the scheming had more to do with the future of parties than the welfare of the country. But they were all busy. At least two factions of Crits and three of Unionists were hoping their ears to the ground and trying to figure what every echo meant. There were early rumors from Quebec that prominent Unionists were trying to negotiate with Sir Lomer Gouin with a view to having commercial interests to combat the former offensive. Then young Lucien Cannon, the Dorchester fire-eater, blazed out with a denunciation of conscription and all connected with it that was interpreted as a counter offensive calculated to fan race hatred into a brighter flame. Then gave W. F. Nickle of Kingston an opportunity to come back with the greatest speech of the session. But while that speech made conscriptionists nibner it did little towards bringing Ontario and Quebec closer together. And the net gain has with those who are scheming to here the big Grit convention declare for the straight out thing in conjunction with the farmers of the West, sweep the country. To do this Quebec must be held practically solid for the new doctrine. And it can only be held that way by keeping its hatred of Ontario at the highest possible temperature.

The Closest Watched Man in the House

WOULD the West enter into such a compact? That remains to be seen. Politics make strange bedfellows and when politics and business scandals they grow stronger and stronger. Anyway for some time past Hon. J. A. Crerar has been the most closely watched man in the House. He represents the West in the Cabinet. Of course Hon A. L. Sifton, Hon James Calder and Hon. Arthur Meighen also imagine that they are Western representatives. It is admitted too that they don't from somewhere beyond the Great Lakes. But that is all. No one but Crerar represents Prairie sentiment. He's

u farmee the best of the Gen u Greewes, ned frankly admits that he helped to dreft the platform of the Comm il of Agelee ture. Moreovee he says with equal frankness that he thought it was a good platform two years ago and thinks so still. Most people thought he would be net of the Cabinet ere this—he may be in fact before this is peluted—but at the time of writing he is a homeless man and is going to get all he can for his people before he makes the jump. Nee is it at all likely that he will jump clear across the floor when he finally hands his resignation to Sir Robert. He is not so much of a boy as he appears ehe sun-tanned, youthful looking statesman from the Peerless. Also he has something boalder brown hale beeeath the soft felt hat that he pulls down see lm eyes in the House. He took hold of the Gen ie Geowerx when one stcngmphee and an office boy were all the help he needed to handle their affe rs. Now he's head of one of the biggest concerns in Canada. And he didnit get there through trading his birthright for a mess of promises.

The West has had its fill of being lulled to sleep by pledges made for election purposes. It is looking for something more substantial at the time of writing. It will take what it can get from the Unico Government—and then it would appear that Hon. J. A. Crerae will wander forth in search of more. Where is he going to find it and how? Not, you may be sure by being himself up as a Liberal Party that has given no evidence of sealug eye to eye with the West on the matter of tariffe. Still, there are those who expect him to do just this.

On the evenuug of e day that had been a bit etormy in the Commons the rank and file were onking. 'What is Hon J F Carvell going to do?" The Feeeless Fighting Ons had enffered from no attack from the reae. Buttn of Cape Breton and Douglas of Glees Bay had changed him with letting a "force" eontract for shipbuilo ahoot at Sydney N S, to a Gert understokee. They had followed up with etotements that the undertakae was head of e ring composed of seveeal Grit politicians. And the spectacle was unusual, to say the least— e Minister attecked by his own followers and encouraged by the applause of the Opposition. After it was all over a Nova Scotia Tory remarked: "He's going back to the Opposition anyway and if we chase him out they won't want to here him."

Noteeally convressation dueing the eeeeing centred on the ineident. But whee one of the Freeeh-Canadian leadeen was asked "When do you kill the fotted calf for Carvell?" he smiled softly and said: "Tell me what is Creeee going to do?" And when ha got the auewee "I guees you'll find him at your convection in August," he smiled egain.

Well, he's invited," was all he eeid

The Position of Crerae

AND it looks to be a eettling good guess that Mc Crerae will be at the big amneetion. Some people go so fae as to peedict that he'll eame away from it the new Liberal leader. But from here it looks as if they had the mae sieed up wrong. For this Mc Creese is a pretty haed-headed pepsolition. He deesn't know politics as Sifton Calfee and Meighen think they do. In fact he is said to be simple enough to bolieve that honesty is the best politics. He may seen hare a suqnenni that if he lasha aftee his people his people will look after him Sifton Calfee and Meighen here long ago decided that if they left after them selves those people will look aftee them selves. Thele viewpeints are exactly oppoeite. So heeeing what the Big Three would do, is it not natural to suppeee that the Wee Man would do exactly the opposite? Dasen't it look like a good guess that he'll go to the eonvention to see, not what he can get foe himself, but what he can get foe his people—that having got what he could from the Unonists he will eell to thee what he ean get from the Geits? Of course the latter are only propaeed to give promises. And, if there le only one way eo secure theie prasmure and that is to defee paymeot till they see e n politon to deliver, won't Mc Creeee go out on the cross benches and etay there foe the present? If he does he'll take some Westeen faemees with h m—all those in faet who expect theie political lives to last longue than the present Parliament. Perched theee he will eatuelly make a rallying point foe the uettual free traders. And in these days of Farmeee Unions and ohee troublesome collections of Individuals who can tell but that anothee section might find him at the head of a faction that could demand what it would feom any Government that wanted to hang on to the nuneyleqn of the natien?

Of course, there is a whole lot of "supposing" in all this. But this man Creese has possibilities. And those who don't think with him that honesty is the best politics might pause for a moment and take a look at the eereae of the late Sir James Whitney. That statesman made people believe he was honest. Then he went ahead and did pretty much as he pleased. He died Premier and left behind a Geveeument that is still living on his memory.



Hon. Bob Rogers appeared unexpectedly in Ottawa customs nursing.

BUT Mc Crerae is only one of the figeres in this political drame thet is being rehearsed behind closed doors and with the blinds down tight. Unless all signs fail, by the time this is printed there may be ethee additions to the little group on the eross benches. Fred Pardee is already there. He has neese felt at home on the Uelon side of the House and he turned down several offers of portfolios largely beeause he didn't like the company. When he came back this seesion it was noticed that he didn't occupy his allotted seat among the new-statesmen but drifted around to the cross benches. Still he kept his tongue between his teeth till the titles debate came on. Thee members of how Sie Robert Borden had put the preservation of titles as a preferred position holed up in him and he splottered once. Some of his friends say that he went farthee than he intended to hut sure it is that, when he had jecked out a few sentenees the host of a shocked Cabinet could make of it was that they had lost a valued followeee. Rolled down to essentials his speech was: That he had only differed with his party on one issue and that conseription; that the country needed Liberalism eight now, and that the Party system was the only system of Government. He is still sitting on the Geveernment end of the cross benches but the Liberal label is on him and he can be counted among those who will no longee listee to the eesek of the Unionist whip. And it may have been significant that, seated around him when he voted against the Government on the titles amendment were a few Western Unionists and Hoeeh of Brant who also refused to onswee the S O S sent out by the Unionist Whips. It will take a mere useless division, however, to tell how many of these have become peemonent members of the Liberal Unioolet faetion who have thewn off their allegiance to the Government.

A New Tory Party Formed

THEN there are the Gingee Group of Tories. They have been su quiet this session that some people think they have ceased to exist. But they are still with us and they are eeee and to have been the same of o eeries of dinners of which a lot of people failed to grasp the significeece. Anyway Hon. Bob Rogers appeared in Ottawa one sunny morning and o fe the luncheon hone the wires were carrying to all parts of Canada his clarion eell to all good Teeies to rally to the rescue of theie econtey. After duieg a lot of handshaking and whispeeing he went on to Montreal where it is undeestood he confeeeed with those influential ones who put business before saetiment and as a reselt, o ragelee old time Tory-Protectionist party is in the process of organization. Add to all this the fact that the Opposition is divided into two faotions—the dicherds, who refuse the right hand of fellowship to any and all who tneuad there backs on Laurier in the last election, and the moderates who realize that if they are going to get anywhere there must be a welcoming home of prodigals—and you must admit that you have an mixed a dish of politics as anyone could ask. It's more like an Irish stew than anything the bill of fore usually carries.

The safety of the Uelon Government lies of course in the fact that it is closee to any and all of the faotions that eny one of them is to any of the others. That and the feet that all are planning for the future and not for the present. As I here so often remarked, nobody wents an election. A conversation between two Western Liberal Unionists is rather enlightening in this eagee. They were passing along the corridee when one was ereeheard to say to the other:

"I guess we're not going to get many tariff concessions."

The other was silent foe a eoment and then apparently apropos of nothing he asked: 'What do you hase about the ieereased inilsonnities?"

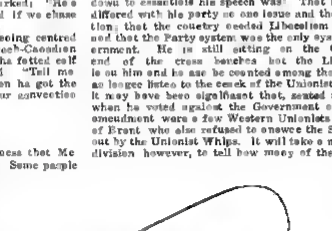
So eight here and now you have to admit that these increased indemnities are destined to play a large part in the Government's reconstruction peopeess. And the hardest thieg the Opposition members will find to do during the present will be to vote against them. Of course they'll hare to do it as a matter of principle and politics—but if the Geveernment should happen to be short a vote or two to carry that measeee there's a hare possibility that one or two French members could be induced to sink their race prejudice foe the moment. As foe the Westerners one of them puts it this way: "If we don't take hame the tariff beeon we'll never come back. And you know that we can't take home that bacon."

So what are the peee men to do? Why take home as many and as big indemnities as the circumstances will permit. And before you blame them too much ask yourself what you would do in the circumstances.

But while all this was going on, while Parliament was marking time and waiting for peace and Borden, some questions were being asked. And principal among these was: "Who needs a title as badly that a Premier can twiee stand his followers on their heads in order to accommodate him?" Is it Sie Robert himself or is it the beeone genucally mentioned in connection with municipal and hasna't Deee the Premier intend to crown his carcee as the greatest of one war winners with a peerage and a seat at some permanent body that may grow out of the Peace Confeeence or the Imperial Wee Cabinet? Or does his duty to one of his makers compel him to hold the title destroying hand till Sir Joseph Flavelle is clothed with recognition of his deserts? Or is the demand for decorations more wide-spread but none the less insistent? Are there promises to pay in titles to those dollar-a-year men who sacrificed their time that evilization might not perish from the earth? Was the war foe democracy really won by the makings of a new aristocracy?

These are questions that time alone will answer. The

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Pardee can be counted among those who will no longer listen to the crack of the Unionist whip.

CHAPTER VII

MAN AND WIFE

A Romantic Story of Quebec—By C. W. STEPHENS

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Third and Concluding Instalment

THE project fee taking back the Campbell Mine deopped as quiekly as it had aeieen Campbell wee feankly disappointed and with an one more than his old enmoeee Williams. From the day of the interview with Hugh the attitude of Williame had changed. He openly advieed Campbell to give up the idea of appointing his con-in-law Whethee it was owing to the manner in which he gaee the advice or the craft with which he slipped the drop of poison into the medicine would be difficult to decide, but it appeared that he had definitely resolved that there was little nuiseshment to be as tagonizing the camp e big man and that he intended to put his money, henceforth, on the right horse.

Campbell openly stated that Williame had "ended" him—and withdrawn his encouragement and promise of financiel association—foe some consideeretion that Lyttleton had only been too glad to pay. When he heard that Hugh had giese to young Williame a position in one of the small ee mines, he was certain of his conclusion. The situation was not a responsible one but the salary paid was a peeat advetice on anything that Williame had received before. So, declared Campbell the victor made of his foes his seevants, treated them, when they came to with some consideeation and hanoe, finding it wiese to use them than to break them. The Williame people, women and men, had boxed the compass—so far as their nearest enemy was concerned.

Hugh had determined to win their favor by giving the son e phce in which he could be called "manager," though in a pit employing less than a score men, than if he had paid him twice the salary to be an undee-strapper. Henceforth Lyttleton could do no wrong in the sight of the new suspects. He was something to heng on to the tail of a big man's kite to be on the head wegen, to run with the rout.

If Lyttleton was king and autocrat, who beeaked no rival in rule, he did well by his followers. His wages were the biggest in the district, his mines were safest. He never risked a man's life to save a handful of dollers to precautionary peeveeions, never failed to do the just and nuee than just thing to a man ant of luck or a woman whose bread-winner had been taken from her. He ruled in the pits like a king but he was a just king—as we knew his week better than the best of his men said what he meant and meant what he said. When he fought it was to a finish, but he never fought for fighting's sake and was ee seen assisted a garge after the bll had been paid. He could get men when other employeee had to scnee the country foe them—and when through feebleness of age or sickness a man had to leave the hard labee of the pit bottom, he never went on the parish. Lyttleton was the first man in that re untry to have compulsory pensioning in his mines. It wee a rule of the Mines that each mae s pay was decked foe his pension fund, and foe every rent the man paid the master added two. If he became unable to work he was pensioned, if he died, his family received what had been coming to him. Other employers and Lyttleton spoiled his men, but Hugh knew that it paid. What others called his unfair pampering added not inconsiderably to the mine man's profit balance every year.

So when young Williams, out of a job had asked foe employment, he get it from the man whose creal he had been for a short day in the business world, and he felt it to be no humiliation to work for the big chief. Thus fae had Lyttleton's supremacy been acknowledged.


"Would that help much?" she asked slipping her cheque before him

HE was in New York little more than a week. While he was away Mary had taken careful note of the situation, and had decided at a decision. The fault had been in the depoeture they had made from their first intention. She had allowed the proximity of an attractive man who had been hondlessly generous, more in spirit than even in action, to effect her unduly, to assert its influence over her. Henceforward there were to be no misunderstandings, no trivial jealousies. It should be none of her business to scrutinize the lists of his friends women or men.

She should think no more of ceeseeing his conduct than a man would the morals of his man friend. It was enough for her to be the woman whom he admired—what foe she could not imagine—his official wife.

When he returned she met him with all the gracieese feiendliness that was her's them. He had not been away long—but the brief absence had broken the austinuity of their acquaintance so that he was enabled to see her against a background of change. He saw her in the light of a new revelation. She had to see her as the girl of the Sunday afternoon outside the gay church with the crowd streaming from Mass humming her in New she was a women with the charm of winsome girlhood enhanced by the graceiese gravity of elper huswifery and expeeieece. And the new woman he saw was not the girl he had known, who had slipped her hand within his arm and in a score of little all-seeing ways, insignificent enough in themselves but of vast moment to him, had shown that she was coming of her own will to make the greet neeeendee. The touch of the hand, the glance of the eye the expression on her face when her mind was not occupied with thought of him, been intimate feiends but eothee agreeable acquaintances thrown much togothee by the scarcity of society in the town. Mary never had quite been on that position—the apparent estrangement. On the occasione when she had met the girl she had entered an absence of the old shyness, a seeming reserve and shyness.

Dueing the following weeks Mary noticed a change in Hugh. He was more silent and reserved on the few occasions she saw him, and spoke less of his business affaies. Outside his mines he had developed wide interests in lumbee and pulp mills. She gathered from the little he told her that these occupied a great deal of time and attention since they were not situated in fairly profitable buses. From him she learned that he took a hand suddenly, revive like's desire to take back the mine. After Williams had drawn out of the pee-jut everyone had supposed that it had been definitely eliminated. Now Campbell had told him in his that he thought he could secure the financial aid required to handle it. Hugh had agreed to accept a reference fee the reputechase price as he had proviously promised.

"I think he is making a mistake," said Hugh. The financial situation generally is eothee gloomy, and there is the cheest of labee troubles foe the first time in sue experience. We've had te ee cent years a great influx of foreigners, Germans Austriane and Rus-

sions. More than half the men in the pits are of this class and they've introduced a troublesome element into labor here. There are a few men in the lot more gifted with tongue than working ability and they're preaching anarchy. It's a bad time to start. You know that it may this in your father's interest to spoke to him of it but he always appears to suspect my motive. If he wants to take the mine he can have it, now or at any time, but this is no day to begin what would practically be a new concern."

"He has not mentioned it to me," said Mary. "I don't want to see him outer business again. He is not fit for it. I wonder why it can be who is to help him?"

"I haven't the least idea," Hugh replied. "However, he was a listen to me. In he mind I'm always acting with ulterior motives. I'm afraid I put my foot into it with him in another way. It seemed to me he felt he went of independence. Of course he's always been master on his own account before and I thought if he had some responsible position he would be happier. I offered him the vice-presidency of one of my lumber companies. There would have been a little office overnight to keep him occupied—no real hard work though—and a small salary say, around $2,500 a year, but he didn't take it as I meant him to. It seemed to him a sort of bribe to keep him out of competition with me, so he refused it almost as if I'd insulted him."

"You mustn't take any notice of his whims," said Mary. "I don't know why it should be so Hugh. You are endlessly good to us, and we give you the meanest return."

"I wasn't asking for that, Mary," he answered. "It'll make a good thing out of it one of these days. I'm an invincible optimist where you and yours are concerned."

She made no answer, fearing her own weakness. Whenever there came into their conversation an intimate personal tone she was afraid of herself and her only refuge was in silence.

ON the evening of the same day she was in her room, when there came a tap on the door. In response to her call her father entered and took a seat. He chatted for some time on casual topics and then brought up the matter of the repurchase of the mine. Lyttleton, he told her, had agreed to re-sell to him, taking a mortage for the money. The business could be upbuilt at once and put on a profitable basis. All he needed was working capital. The banks were tightening their policies as a, with his place mortgaged as to the hilt, he was not in a position to borrow from them.

"You have what Lyttleton set aside for you," he said. "It was a hundred thousand dollars, was it not?"

"Yes," she replied.

"Not a great deal spent, I guess?" he suggested.

"No, the principal is intact. I have used only part of the interest," she said.

"It could use $50,000," he told her. "That sum would put me in an absolutely secure position. I should be indebted to no one and would soon be able to pay you back, and get rid of Lyttleton's hold on the land and mill. Then I suppose you would get your interest—more than the back pays you."

"But, father, you couldn't expect me to do that," she answered. "Anything that belonged to me you could have as you know but that is not mine."

"Whose then is it?" he demanded. "Was it a pretended gift? Something to brag about? Has he put strings to it?"

It is mine, absolutely," she replied. "Hugh doesn't brag of his gifts nor does he put strings to them. He has never spoken to me of his gift from the day I received it."

"Then why can't you lend part of it to me?" He asked.

"Because I don't regard it as mine," she told him. "I take what is needed for the house and myself out of the interest that I ought to do in justice to my husband who wishes me to be supported by him. The principal I want to touch."

"Not even to help your father gain his independence?" he demanded.

"Not even for that," she said. "Why can't you content yourself with the comfort we have father? There's no need for you to enter business. The interest earned by the money is regard as mine and you may have anything you want for your comfort. The upkeep of the house is less than two thousand a year. Mother and I are not extravagant personally, and you're heartily welcome to the two thousand a year that is left when everything else is paid for. No one would know of it but the two of us not even Hugh."

"If you have the soul of a pensioner, I have not," he replied and left the room.

CHAPTER VIII

IN the early autumn the storm fell on the mining and financial worlds. Though there had been some fear and foreboding, the crash came with the furious suddenness of a tornado. Banks growing panicky at the sight of gathering clouds in the lumber world, shut up their coffers. They were not lending any more. Securities, deemed good as gold before, were worthless as collateral. Cannon was hastily hauled down, and financial motionless awaited the hurricane unugged down, and with bare poles.

In the little mining town two of the smaller companies went into receiver's hands the first day of the storm. Before the week was out two more went and there were following suit. Businesses began to topple like houses of cards, the fall of one bringing others down in ruin. Lyttleton's mines were the only ones on which the general disaster seemed to have no effect.

One would have thought that amid the widespread ruin, the pitmen would have rallied about the one stable firm in the district, whose payroll kept scores and families in comfort. He was regarded as improvident, and perhaps on this account there was less compunction in attacking him. Nevertheless the strike that Lyttleton had sometimes feared actually came. One day the men presented demands that he could not meet and on receiving his refusal, walked out in a body.

Then came a bleak day when the rumor ran through the town that the man who had been thought invincible was failing. It was regarded at first as a silly tale spread by malicious foes. Later became the whisper. The big mun had his funds all sunk in investments the mines mills timber limits, pulp and lumber mills. The compulsory shutting down of the mines had sent him heavily unability to fulfil contracts had damaged him. He might be a millionaire in ordinary times, but millionaires were dropping on every hand, the biggest they were the heavier their fall. The financial world had buttoned up its pockets, hiden its gold under the bed. The old peasant instinct had come back. It was every man for himself and the devil take the hindmost.

IT was a few days before Christmas. The storm of rumor had swelled and died away, to burst out again with redoubled energy.

"It guess you're man is going the way of the rest," said Campbell to Mary one dreary morning. "His was a short day. People fancied he was too big to be downed, but I tell you there never was a man so mighty that he wouldn't be humbled. Things may turn out to prove that you were a wise woman. Yen have your money, fast and safe. That's the main touch it, no matter what happens to him. The house is yours and all in it and you have just yourself, neither husk nor child to sarry his name."

"What has happened to Hugh?" she asked, knowing little of the tales that had been widespread.

"Going under, ma'am, going under. He's been out on strike his sontracts cancelled on all sides, his lumber and pulp intaesests choked in their nostly beginnings. He's a rich man—but property poor. They say it's only a short time off when he'll have to walk the plank," said Campbell, almost exultantly.

"Is it true mother?" asked Mary when her father had left the room.

"That's the general regort," answered Mrs. Campbell. "It's said that his interests are so involved that he's embeeassed. Much of his outside business is only in the beginning and he can't possibly be saving much heavily. Then there is the wretched strike, and, I understand he has had losses owing to the collapse of other firms. I sincerely hope he'll be able to weather the storm."

Mary went up to her room and called Hugh on the telephone. After some one of the watchman replied and told her that Mr. Lyttleton had gone to bed and would not be back until the following day. The call had been a sudden one and he had left by car at almost a moments notice. Mary felt a little depressed. It was the first time he had gone away without calling her up to tell her of his intention. Little by little the gap was widening, and all her philosophy did not make the contemplation of it any more agreeable. The day passed away drearily, one of those grey, lowering days when the dark, massed clouds seemed to lean their weight on one's spirits.

SHE went to bed early to relieve a weariness that neither book nor music, nor the affairs of the house could dispel. She woke soon after midnight. The night was bitter cold following an evening's snowfall. the stars burning fiercely, a keen wind blowing from the West. She switched on a lamp near the bed and took up a book. Gas o'clock boomed from the great grandfather clock in the hall its note throbbing on the heavy stillness and echoing through the hall and long corridors. The world outside slept its heavy, winter sleep. She shuddered at the whispering of the wind—its occasional little shrill shrieks sounded like the dream troubles of the slumberer. Now and again the trees snapped and crackled in the keen frosty air, as if the sleeper had turned impatiently on his bed. The following silence was the more impressive. It had on for him a fearfulness that was crowded with the spectral things of the night, felt rather than visible or heard. Then the heavy air shook, the house trembled as if shaken by an earthquake, a dish fell from the shelves in the kitchen below, and the dull crash of a deep thunderous roar rolled over the valley—a second and third—then a deeper silence, broken presently by the sound of a runner speeding along the road. Mary turned off the light, and a faint red glare showed through the windows. She sprang from bed and ran to pull the curtains aside. The sky eastward was filled with red flame its tongues leaping high into the firelit blackness.

"They've blown up and fired the mill," she heard her father exclaim. "It has been long enough threatened, and they've done it."

He dressed hurriedly, took horse and sleigh from the stable and was driving furiously along the road within five minutes.

Helpless, the two women sat through the night and watched the fire extend until the whole block of Lyttleton's mills, save the offices, were a roaring geyser of fire. Then they saw through glasses the buildings dissolve the roofs crash downward, the clouds of sparks and flying embers spread over the land, the walls fall in, and the whole place, Lyttleton's pride, a heap of glowing smoking ruins.

WHEN day broke the tall white mill and storehouses were a black, smoking offense upon the face of the snow-white landscape. It was nine o'clock when Campbell returned with the story. An attack had been made on the buildings by the foreign strikers at midnight. The two guards had been seized the dynamite stores raided, the derricks smashed and thrown into the pits, the engine house dynamited, the mill with its costly machinery blown up and fired. The establishment—the finest in that part of the land—had been made a useless scrap heap. Aid had come too late. By the time the police had arrived from their distant quarters, the evil work had been done. Before the greatness of the catastrophe even Campbell was awed.

"A quarter of a million won't make good the loss this night's work has caused," he said. "Not half covered by insurance. It will take the finishing touch for Lyttleton. Even if the men were to go back to-morrow, it would be late spring before he could get going, and if he was money pinched before, what will he be now?"

IT was late in the evening when Mary received word that Hugh was back. She called the stable boy, bade him get out her sleigh and drive her into town. The nine o'clock norwest bell was ringing as she went again, on foot, up the lonely steep and turned into the dismal lane, its snow blackened by smoke and dead embers from the fire. She paused for some moments to look upon the piled up ruin a gaunt skeleton of crushed greatness. The edges of the pit were bare and mose ominous-looking than ever, the derricks gone, the huts swept away, and nothing left of the multitude of buildings and appliances but the offices. The big main office was in darkness, but there was a light in the private room.

She glanced through the window. Hugh was there, seated at his desk, a sheet of calculations before him. As she looked, he sat up, leaned back, deep in thought. She was proud of him with a new pride.

Whatever he had done was forgotten, banished, forgiven. The fault was hers. If he had wandered away because of her coldness, she would win him back. Not for an instant did she doubt her power. She would ask no question of him accept all that was past, take the blame on her own shoulders, but he was here and none should ever take him away from her again. Had he shown signs of brokenness she would have pitied him, but on his face was no sign of despair, no tense of wincing before the blows that had been raised upon him. He was still the fighting man—his back bard against the wall and fighting with all the mighty power of him. Then what mattered loss, wreckage, black ruin? The man was infinitely bigger than the calamity. If he was hang driven back, it was a retreat more glorious than victory, for it had in it the promise that he would come again. He fell back that he might launch his smashing drive at the over-confident foe the more irresistibly.

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SALVAGE—A CANADIAN IDEA

By LACEY AMY

Canadian Bravery and Salvage

SALVAGE entered again into my experience when the Canadian Corps was resting at Peeres to block the victorious path of the enemy in early 1918—or to be ready for one of those famous attacks which placed the Canadians by themselves in the eyes of the German Army.

Bethune had moved up so close to the front that its future was uncertain. Its citizens had been gone for months and the soldiers who moved amidst its streets ruins whistling shall empty in the next block and entered the skyline before one's eyes.

Back at Fernes short ten miles away, an old barn had become an auction room where French officials sold to the highest bidder stoves and grain and hay, the unorganized salvage of Bethune. Then the Canadians took it in hand. Lorries made daily trips. They hooked up to the empty houses and stores of Bethune loaded with everything serviceable and rumbled back to Fernes, where every available space was requisitioned for storage. From ugly derries there peered into these boxes beautiful mirrors of past centuries, ormolu chandeliers, tables and chairs, stoves ovals, paintings—the most intimate possessions of a people who love their country so passionately that they have never become emigrants. And everything was tagged with the number of the street from which it was taken. Dangerous work it was. To-day there might be found in their duties for to-morrow—only to find when to-morrow came that the street they were to work on had vanished. But with dents in their sides and holes in their noses, they emerged from this shelled towns each night with another day's record of Salvage.



Upper—Ammunition boxes in a village captured by the Canadians. Lower—The hard part of Salvage

The Wonderful Fruits of Salvage

BUT Salvage, with a capital S, I became acquainted with first at Beves, an uninhabited one-streeted village of almost waste down there south of Amiens. In that fight Salvage almost wearied. Its muscles ached. It so nigh to over-reached itself that it threatened to hamper transportation instead of relieving it. For the unexpected appearance of the Canadians was successful beyond the power of any organization of Salvage to cope with it adequately. Hitherto booty had been a mere incident of success. But when it takes the form of a couple of hundred big guns, among them a half dozen of the hated long range high velocity five-point-nines, of equipment enough for an army, of weapons of offense and defense never before met—then it ressee to be an addenda and becomes part of the text.

When the Corps wiped the dust of Amiens from its feet there remained as its mark such a hoard of Salvage as had never before rewarded an attack on such a width of front. A whole village was covered with it—stacked and piled. It might have been an exhibition of the necessities of war. The big guns were of some miles nearer Amiens the they meeted sequente mention and technically speaking are not included in the sphere of Salvage—though Salvage reserve them as it does the other equipment.

In the field of Salvage were great groups of machine guns and heaps of rifles bayonets and swords ornamented grenades and cartridges in boxes piled higher than a man's head shells of every calibre, helmets of both armies steaks of khaki and field grey of thong leather in its multitude of shapes as used in saddles scraps cushion carriers German haversacks boots and bayonet scabbards.

Amidst the litter men were producing order. Every item was in its own pile. Live German shells and grenades were being "dehorned" by delicate but assured

	£	s.	d.
1 sandbag costs	0	0	8
1 large steel shelter	17	6	3
1 small steel shelter	5	18	9
1 coil wire netting	1	4	6
1 sheet corrugated iron	0	3	3
1 pick	0	3	3
1 shovel	0	2	9

ECONOMIZE—

1. By not indenting for more than you need and can use at once
2. By not hanging back all tools taken out on working parties.
3. By salving all the material you can and using where you can instead of new.
4. *By remembering that everything has got to be paid for!*

The official photographer has made a record of that sign for posterity as the idea behind Canada's Salvage scheme.

An Invitation to Save

UP at Ablain St. Nazaire I noticed conservation first in organized form. There in the semi-shelter of Vimy Ridge was a welter of salvage unrivalled along the four hundred miles of battle line. Whole villages had been so completely levelled that in early 1918 a car rode through them without suspecting they had ever existed. For years the Germans had been lobbing over destruction into that corner. So that the jagged remains of the church are perhaps more famous—in art, at least—than the Cloth Hall at Ypres or the Rheims Cathedral. It was while returning from the ruined church with a Canadian artist that I came on Conservation, the forerunner of Salvage.

Before an extensive area covered with engineers' supplies was a huge sign which he who ran might read. Behind it a battery of big guns was lazily awakening to the afternoon strafe. The walls of the church stood dull white against the hills to the west. A mere trickle of water, dignified by the name of the Souchez River, meandered as a ditch beside the road. And only two or three miles away around the curve of the hollow lay Lens and its shattered suburbs that town of evil but wonder as fame to Canada.

"Think" commanded the sign in a whole line to itself, and then "Before drowing R E stores of the following prices!

ingly reckless hands. Novelties were set aside for future study

At this stage of the year's operation I came personally within the broad horizon of Salvage and learned something of its complications. In the hurry of moving from Ypres, the Headquarter team, back to the Arras sector, a careless hatman neglected a haversack of mine. By the time I could return for it, it had disappeared with the troops that followed us. "See the Salvage officer," advised everyone I did. And the machinery he himself set in motion made me feel like a joyride sleeping man, visiting the front for the first time. I never recovered my haversack—but I have copies of a month of correspondence that continued long after I had ceased to care, and extended back and forward from corps to army in that interminable way of military efficiency. It ended only when, oppressed with the necessity of getting on with the war, I insisted that I had found the last detail of equipment.

Saving Ran Into Millions

SALVAGE emerged from the experience in my eyes a tremendous machine of bewildering efficiency a great rolling of wheels that had hung since passed from human control One got these impressions sometimes at the front.

Salvage came into official existence early in March 1917. Before that it had been merely Divisional effort, independent in its various units but ambitious enough to reveal its possibilities. The one exception to the detachment of its early history was during the Somme offensive of 1916. In those two months of August and September more than $2,000,000 worth of ammunition alone was salved, and $2,500,000 in ordnance. Six million dollars was the record of that short period of organized Salvage in the Canadian Corps.

Accordingly only a few months intervened before the system was prematurely adopted as a recognized part of the military machine. Since there are official figures that prove its value beyond cavil. From March 14th, 1917, to the end of that year the Canadian Corps was better off by $8,200 000 through the benefits of Salvage. For the next year I have returns only up to the end of August including therefore only the Amiens battle of the summer—a season of fighting. After that time the Canadian Corps was advancing so steadily through a welter of German booty and the surviving possessions of French refugees that estimate is impossible. But in those eight months of the year 1918 only one battle, Salvage turned in $4,500 000 in material. And it must be understood that the value of German and French materials was never included.

It might not be clear how such an amount could be represented by British Salvage alone. The explanation is the intensity of the true sphere of Salvage. Salvage, encountered as it was with German booty and the recovery of French property was primarily the salvation of British equipment discarded or lost in the ordinary course of war. It followed close on the heels of a recovering army of a moving unit. When a battalion changed its location it left behind bits of outfit deliberately or recklessly. Salvage picked it up. When an advance was made it often happened that whole units dropped their equipment to facilitate the operation. Salvage came along and saved it all. In the trenches remained stores of bombs, rum rations, blankets ground sheets, ammunition, when the soldiers had departed. Salvage neglected

sions of it. The battlefield was a mass of equipment discarded by the wounded or dropped by the dead by the attackers and attached Salvage pushed out in the fringe of the shelling and rescued it

Salvage missed little. It closed its hand on things that seemed the antithesis of the seeds of war But see never knows. For instance the army to which the Canadian Corps was attached at the time developed one of those unaccountable cravings that come soon to the soldier It wanted two shaft antlers. Well—the Canadian Corps Salvage Company produced them immediately

Salvage in Small Things

SALVAGE turned up its gems at nothing The ubiquitous petrol tin seemed to the soldier worth nothing save in its varied capacities for adding to the comfort of dugouts and tents. It was his wash basin his waterpail his brazier his chafe his protective form wind and shell. War would have been a better hell without this petrol tin But why Salvage should bother with it was apparent to no one but Salvage in all that petrol thirsted France But the army suddenly called for 1800 one day and Salvage had 6 thousand on hand blocking the landscape

But there is no intention of implying that the soldiers did not co operate in salvaging There were established dumps all along the Canadian front. There were too sufficient signs and appeals to remind the men of these dumps And the Canadians responded by bringing both with them from the Advance ocean enough recovered material and equipment and tools to make their co operation a worthy addition to Canadian assistance in the war

The system of Salvage was well organized for its work Each Division so well as the unit known as Corps Troops (that body of men required around the Corps Headquarters the battalions), had its own organization for salvage It followed its own forces establishing its own dumps, received credit for its own salvage. The First Division salvaged $760 000 worth of recaptured British material at Amiens alone The Third estimated its salvage up to the week before the Amiens fight at $555,764. There was a profitable rivalry induced by such a system

When the Corps arrived at a new area it was the duty of the Corps Salvage Officer to furnish each of the Division Salvage officers with maps showing the location of dumps. Small sub dumps were formed under the Divisions eye and their contents were transferred back to the main Division dump as transportation became available Here was undertaken the great task of sorting and classifying Sorting was second in the kind of classification to serviceability. This completed everything was despatched to the Corps Salvage dump Here what was serviceable and fit for immediate use was turned over to Ordnance serviceable, but requiring repair was returned to the Base repair shops and the unserviceable was sent to the Base for breaking up. There unserviceable shading became gun gas, and broken rifles were examined for serviceable parts.

In the collection of the salvage care was taken to confine the initial work to perishable material After that the field was more deliberately combed.

How Souvenire Were Secured

THE sub-dumps were located where possible near a light railway or frequented road. The Divisional dumps had to be convenient to a light railway The Corps dump was beside a standard gauge railway for transportation to the Base. Light railway trains that went up with ammunition or troops returned with salvage Lorries were requisitioned on the return journey Salvage had an transportation of its own but it had considerable powers of requisitioning

Salvage collected the materiel left at casualty clearing stations. Rest camps were cleaned up by camp commandants and town majors and when the accumulation grew to sufficient proportions Salvage carried it away to the dumps. If the Corps moved too quickly for Salvage to complete its job the Salvage Officer left behind him a map of the area not cleared.

An incidental feature of Salvage operations was its contribution to the War Museum to be built at Ottawa. Screen of packing boxes were despatched direct to Canada—and scorns more would have gone had Salvage had the authority it should have had In that case it might have presented the peculiar situation that developed of Great Britain taking the choice of everything captured by the Canadians for the Museum to be constructed in London, England—where very few Canadians will ever see some of the finest trophies of the war, captured by their own sons.

The personnel of Salvage was drawn from the Area Employment Companies, consisting mostly of No men The objection to this was that the men were used in early ages were subject to recall by the Employment Companies at any time Towards the end of the war it was proposed to form a permanent staff, so the duties justified.

Salvage recalls to my mind several scenes during the later stages of the fighting Out before Arras a wide plain was largely filled with heaps of the trophies of war much of it equipment, shells and even guns recaptured from the Germans after they had captured them from the British during their early successes of the year Such an abundance of material did the Germans lay these hands on in their drive that they had not had time or means of removing it. Now hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth returned unharmed to the original owners to be used as first intended There were thousands of British shell houses to solve the shortage of wood and labor, and there were shell casings in piles that needed only to be touched up to be ready for use again.

Corps Salvage dump was during those days a hive of industry and a centre of deepest interest. It was necessarily some distance in the rear because of the detestable state of railway further forward There it had settled down to show just what Salvage can do with the broken, dented, rusted, muddied stuff that accumulates on every battle front.

A GREAT heap of empty oil drums represented a distinct operation It started when the Salvage Officer happened one time to see an empty drum overturned. The little bit of oil that dripped from it gave him an idea And ever since the drippings have averaged 500 gallons a month of clear gum. In one shed two men were hammering at pieces of bent tin rescued from damaged petrol and oil receptacles And in a corner of the shed a third man illustrated their use. Signs—the multitude of painted signs necessary through the areas of the armies—were growing under his hand No more valuable wood or tin for the signs of the Canadian Corps! Another shed was devoted to the cleaning of British rifles. A heap of 150 lay ready to go back to the trenches, polished and bright, their action perfect, in as good condition as ever they were Knapsacks, reteldige belts, bayonnaks and trenching tool carriers and even clothing were likewise cleaned and made re-issue A home-made furnace was struggling to extract the solder from the heaps of tins necessary to the life of an army

There were German cookers—better than our own—awaiting disposal Two had been captured at Amiens that belonged anew to the British Army and had been improved in German hands. German field kitchens and hot water heaters German up-carts—one fitted with British wheels—German camouflage—and the German pre-dated us in camouflage and always excelled in it—German folding and bicycle stretchers were in the dump. Furniture seemed to offer no service. The casings of the shells that had been fired on St. Pol had been captured at Vis en Artois thirty miles away and were welcome souvenirs German shaft blowers had already been utilized by the Corps in the Headquarters' dugouts at Dainville. Bells of German pattern, wire, German gas cylinders, German wagons and timbers were mixed with the accoutrements of our own armies. Bicycles and motorcycles were in condition to be repaired German corrugated iron was stronger than our ordinary variety and would be quickly put into service

There was an atmosphere of efficiency of completeness, of a confident solution of many of the most trying problems of war about that collection Canadian Salvage had handed on its lesson to the rest of the British Army it had revealed its story to those best fitted to estimate its value Thereafter it was content to work silently in its own way, replacing production in part by conservation, preventing the strain and perils of shortage, recovering what would mean the difference between exhaustion and mere weariness, shortening the war every day it was in operation.



Upper—A heap of brass collected by Germans From French Illiterate, by reason by the Canadians Lower—A practical self-rescuer—by Canadian saved

WHY DID WE LET TROTZKY GO?

Canada Lost an Opportunity to Shorten the War

By LIEUT.-COLONEL J. B. MACLEAN

THE way things look at the moment some Canadian politicians or officials were chiefly responsible for the prolongation of the war for the great loss of life, the wounds and sufferings of the winter of 1917 and the great drives of 1918. And they are doing their very best to prevent Parliament and the country from getting at the facts. While our splendid soldiers were hanging on in Flanders and our loyal leaders at Ottawa and throughout the country were straining every nerve to support them with more men, someone was betraying them at Ottawa and down at Halifax When General Sir Sam Hughes asked some questions in the House of Commons, Hon. Mr Burrell, Secretary of State, simply said there was no information on the subject, which was untrue There is a lot of information obtainable but the persons who know seem to be using every effort to hide the disgraceful part they may here played and prevent any effort to trace the episode to the persons higher up.

OFFICIAL reports such as Sir Douglas Haig's review of the war and many speeches and other utterances of men who knew show that but for the Russian breakdown the war would have been over a year earlier.

The man chiefly responsible for the defection of Russia was Trotzky Trotzky—the real man now directing Russian affairs acting under German instructions—was arrested and held in the internment camp at Amherst, N.S. on the very definite instructions of the British Secret Service, who knew exactly who he was and what he was trying to do. They protested strongly against our releasing him Yet our authorities released him at the request of someone at the British Embassy, Washington acting they say on the request of someone in Washington.

Let us look at the evidence on uncovered by the British Secret Service at Halifax and the equally excellent U.S. Secret Service and passed to the British Originally the British found through Russian associates that Kerensky, Lenine and some lesser leaders were practically in German pay no early as 1915 and they uncovered in 1916 the connections with Trotzky, then living in New York From time to time he was closely watched by the clever section of the Police Department known as the "Bomb Squad" In the early part of 1918 a German official sailed for New York. British Intelligence officials accompanied him He was held up at Halifax, but on his intruction he was passed on with profuse apologies for the necessary delay. After six months he arrived in a dirty little newspaper office in the slums and there found Trotzky, to whom he bore important instructions From June 1916 until they passed him on to the British, the N.Y. Bomb Squad never lost touch with Trotzky They discovered that his real name was Braunstein and that he was a German not a Russian.

The Career of Trotzky

A RUSSIAN acquaintance who recently passed through Toronto told me he knew him very well, suspected him and once as a pretext asked him to translate, carefully, a document into German and Russian. Trotzky failed on the Russian but his German was perfect.

The U.S. Intelligence Department further found that he had for years been in the German Secret Service in Russia In August 1914 he had extensive liberty been expelled from Berlin He went to Paris, where he was soon identified as a German He had to get out. Then he went to Spain The Allies protested and he moved to the States, where he became active in Russian circles there and in Canada. Russians in Western Canada say he was instrumental in getting over $ 500 foreigners to sail from Vancouver and other ports for Russia who were trained and instructed for propaganda purposes. They were largely Germans and Austrians masquerading as Russians.

He organized those who remained behind into groups and by this time enough was known to take him very seriously before the Russian Revolution was announced it in New York He was closely watched and all his speeches were recorded. He was identified and at a meeting on February 2, 1917, he was introduced as Mr Bernstein. Just when the U.S was ensuring relations with Germany and war was certain he started the campaign against militarism and the doing away with the U.S Government

ance and forever A typewritten copy of the speech was given to Colonel Biddle of the U.S. army who that night read it over the phone to Colonel Von Deman in Washington Another copy went to the British Secret Service.

On March 26, the night before he sailed, Trotzky addressed a large meeting organized by the German Federation to say farewell. The Bomb Squad took every word down through a dictaphone, and made a list of those present. In all 150 of them were to sail. Emma Goldman who used to visit friends in Toronto, was at the platform. Trotzky explained quite frankly and clearly that 'they were going to Russia to push the Revolution as it ought to be pushed."

"You who stay here" he said, "must work hand in hand with the revolution in Russia, for only in that way can you accomplish evolution in the United States."

ON the S.S. Christiana, on which he sailed, were several British Secret Service officers. On arrival at Halifax, on April 3, they reported Trotzky and four associates to Captain Making R.N These men were taken off the ship under the direction of Lieut. Jones, R N

It is an extraordinary fact, the police officials tell me, that these agitators who are so bold and courageous on the platform when stirring as much as they like against authority to seize anything they want, are the most arrant cowards when they themselves have to face authority Trotzky was no exception He crouched and whined and cried in abject terror When he found he was not to be shot his bluff returned and he protested violently. Later he assumed a haughty air when he objected to the house in which, by chance he was temporarily held. He was eventually turned over under armed guard to the Canadian authorities who placed him in the internment camp at Amherst, where several hundred enemy aliens were in confinement, and are still there

The British Secret Service handed over full details to the authorities at Halifax, including a copy of Trotzky's speech They knew he was a German, not a Russian With his four companions he was held for some time His wife and other persons plentifully supplied with money—which the records show came from German sources in New York—were in communication with Washington and New York. The British Secret Service people knowing they had a very important German prisoner fought bitterly against the release The minor Canadian officials knowing the facts, were unwilling when they were ordered to discharge the crew with honors.

GENERALLY the explanation is given that the release was done at the request of Kerensky, but months before this British officers and one Canadian serving in Russia, who could speak the Russian language reported to London and Washington that Kerensky was in German service Finally it is said it was done at the request of the British Embassy at Washington over the head of the British and American Intelligence Departments and that the Embassy acted on the request of the U.S State Department who were acting for someone else This is not the view of the U.S Intelligence Department, for they were so astonished that they sent one of their trusted officials to Ottawa to investigate He visited among others the Secretary of State's Department.

That the request came from the British Embassy at Washington is an explanation, but no excuse for the release of Trotzky by Canadian authorities who knew the importance of their prisoner The utter incompetence and helplessness of our Embassy was to be shown It was a joke in the U.S. until Lord Reading took charge That the lesson of what the Empire has suffered in this war—because of its mistaken diplomatic and senator ideas several times exposed in these columns—has not been learned is evident from a recent issue of the *Daily Mirror* London which favors the appointment of Sir J. W. Lowther Speaker of the House of Commons, as Ambassador at Washington

because it would give great satisfaction to the American people, for Lowther possesses in an eminent degree all the qualities required to make a great ambassador—intellectual distinction, diplomatic experience, and the gift of cultivated oratory."

Yet Hon Mr Burrell tells Parliament that there are no records. Who are they trying to protect or hide?

Trotzky Estranges British Labor

TROTZKY is very young and talkative and unprincipled and to this le due the very important change of attitude on the part of British Labor. Whether by prearrangement or not is unknown, but Trotzky, when waiting at Stockholm on his way to Russia, met certain British Socialists and Labor Leaders who were then in entire sympathy with the Russian revolution Trotzky pictures of the opportunities Bolshevism opened for its leaders—wealth untold and lavish luxuries to be enjoyed, the making of madness a public property—disgusted the steady British workman and they told him so Finding he had made a mistake Trotzky sought to get them out of the way Stockholm was full of German agents Gen British Labor leader was given a cup of coffee. Being suspicious he, unnoticed, exchanged it with his companion, a German. The latter died in twenty minutes. The British Unionist was arrested but it was proved that the dead man was a German spy, who had put the poison in the Englishman's cup This man exposed the Bolshevik plans to British Unionism Subsequent events confirmed in every detail the truth of his stories.

Finally Peter Wright brought first hand news from Petrograd to a large gathering and British labor changed completely. Peter himself had a narrow escape Finding the Bolshevki policies did not appeal to him Trotzky's agents sought him. Warned by friends he escaped in a coffin brought to the hotel by a man who had died. He was long buried when he was released and got away in disguise by friendly members of the Russian Sailors Union His arrival in England was most timely Inspired by the misrepresentation of men like Henderson, Labor had, by a majority of over 30 000, adopted a Revolutionary policy. After hearing from Mr Wright—himself a strong labor agitator—the policy was revised by a larger majority the other way One of the great Scotch leaders, who was a hot Revolutionist before the war, in answering that the fearful experiences of Russia under Trotzky had caused him to drop the first letter of his watch word. He is now an "Evolutionist" and has been using his great influence successfully on the British workers to resist German Bolshevik propaganda and on the British employers to grant without pressure every reasonable demand from their employees.

At another time our officials were instructed to inform the press that Trotzky had been an American citizen traveling on an American passport; that his release was specially demanded by the Washington State Department, that in view of the precarious International relations existing at that time it was necessary for Canada to release him. But Canadians have enough of Trotzky's history from American and British sources to make a fight against his release by at least making the facts public. If this had been done no doubt the American people would have insisted upon uncovering the infamies working for Trotzky

If the matter had ended in Canada with the release of Trotzky there would perhaps now be nothing but regret for the lack of backbone to one officialdom; nothing but another example of a case where political influence brought appalling losses upon us by refusing to be guided by our military experts, and this time confirmed by those of our Allies.

But it did not end there On the other hand it began to show itself particularly in Toronto where flourished one of the most impudent gangs of Anarchists organized by Trotzky to prepare for the Canadian Revolution At one time there were over 1 600 members in this group and they did some substantial work with the local press and on the unsuspecting returned soldiers. When the leaders advocated the raid of stores and private homes the police took some of them in and they are now working in smaller groups.

At Ottawa Trotzky had and continues to have strong underground influence The full answer was so great that orders were issued that he must be given

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THIS MONTH'S VITAL QUESTION

What Canadian Papers from Halifax to Vancouver are saying

Are Peace Terms Too Harsh? Canadian Newspapers Unanimously Answer: "No!"

"GERMANY," says the Toronto *Mail and Empire*, "ruefully inspecting the Allies peace terms, must imagine she is in the position of the guest in the Manitoba hotel thirty years ago. The waiter leaned on the table and breathing heavily, asked:

"'What'll yr have, pie or pudden?'

"'Pie,' said the guest.

"'Well have to take pudden',' replied the waiter; 'we have no pie.'"

The London *Free Press* expresses the same opinion when commenting on the German remark that they "cannot and will not sign the terms." "It would not be wide of the mark," says the *Free Press*, "to ask: What can and what will they do?"

The great majority of Canadian newspapers confidently inform their readers that Germany will sign the peace terms—and sign them just as they are now. Several declare ask the question: "Will Germany sign?" and then proceed to answer their own query with an emphatic affirmative. The Quebec *Telegraph* headed its "peace terms" editorial: "Will Geemany sign?" and proceeds:

"What is the alternative?

"Either the Allies will occupy the country and surround it with an extensive blockade, or Germany will turn Bolshevist, allying herself with Russia and Hungary.

"In either case the situation would be serious.

"Were Germany to go Bolshevist she would probably get completely out of hand, and the Allies would be faced by a Nihilistic condition disastrous to the peace.

"Probably however, when these bluff is over, the Huns will come and sign rather than suffer either allied pressure or Bolshevist terror. The question will then be one of making Germany carry out the terms of a treaty to which the population as a whole is manifestly averse to hostile.

Quebec *L'Evénement* also echoes: "And if Germany refuse to sign? . . . and answers that to refuse signature is a 'physical impossibility' these sole resistance consists of a certain force of inertia which upon a famine and anarchy, will not long endure."

The Victoria (B.C.) *Daily Times* says: "She may seek to escape some of the conditions by negotiation and by the submission of counter-proposals. Eventually however, she will sign, for ostensibly the less no other alternative."

Repudiation after signing is regarded by the St. Thomas *Times-Journal* as in consonance with German standards of morality. This paper says:



All Until It—

Chicago "News"

Will Germany accept the treaty is now the question of absorbing interest, or, accepting it, will the Germans do this under coercation and with the design of ultimate repudiation? That is the question of real importance and concern, and the answer cannot long be delayed."

A Just Peace

WHAT of the terms? Are they too harsh? No!

This is the emphatic statement made in Canadian newspapers from P.E.I. to B.C. The Saskatoon *Star* says:

"It is a just peace and a generous peace and, therefore ought to be an enduring peace."

"It was worth fighting and waiting for this Treaty of Peace which the Entente Allies have dictated to the Huns" says the Kingston *Standard*.

The Vancouver *Province* believes the Germans were let off very easily and that the sentence of the allied powers "is a mild and humane punishment in view of the offence which has been committed."

"A just peace that will make for enduring peace," the Nelson, B.C., *News* heads its editorial May 8, and goes on to say:

'Any fears that the Peace Congress would sacrifice to sentimental considerations the victory which the allied people won on the field of battle by their courage, endurance and sufferings are removed by the knowledge of the peace terms announced yesterday."

The St. John, N.B., *Standard* sees cause for rejoicing that. There has been no weakening nor mushy sentiment tending to relaxation of demands on a defeated and dishonourable foe."

Germany is really lucky after all, thinks the London *Free Press*, which says:

'Germany is fortunate that she is permitted to escape with the acceptance of terms which are summed up in two words, namely, justice and mercy,' and later:

Germany had already shorn herself of national honor. The peace terms take away prestige, provinces, colonies, navy, merchant marine, army and defences, enormous sums in indemnity, and her former Kaiser. The cup of retribution must seem to Germany to be indeed filled to overflowing. No other or lesser terms were possible."

The Stratford *Beacon* expresses the belief that "the majority of people in Canada think that sufficient punishment was not inflicted out to the Germans before the armistice was signed, but they would have been at their old trieks ere ng "Kamerad" and then ready to fight again as soon as they had opportunity."

"Hard but not harsh" summarizes the viewpoint of the Montreal *Gazette* which asserts:

"If the terms are hard they are not harsh and assuredly do not surpass the deserts of the case. Germany must be made pay for her wanton atrocities, and if her Empire is dismembered if her people bear the burden of their acts, it comes through more than one generation they may in time come to realize that their punishment is less than their iniquities deserve."

The Halifax *Chronicle* thinks that the terms are adequate, remarking:

"So the punishment to be inflicted, however inadequate it may look at present to those still smarting from their wounds will really be exemplary, and such as has hardly ever been inflicted on a conquered nation. From a first-class and supposedly paramount Power, Germany when she signs the peace terms, will have been reduced to military impotence for generations to come and to third rank standing among the nations."



Lowe in Montreal "Star"

The Germans Enter Paris at Last

What Germany Would Have Imposed

MANY newspapers drew a comparison between the terms which the Germans are to sign, and those terms which the Allies would have had to sign had the Germans won. The Toronto *Mail and Empire* gives a column summary of Herr Erzberger's (former German Chancellor's) terms, from which the following extract may be quoted:

"Germany, in the first place, cannot tolerate the presence on her frontiers of so-called neutral states insufficiently strong to preserve their neutrality, or which do not want to remain neutral" said Erzberger. "Her second aim must be to free herself from the insupportable leading strings of England on all questions of world policy. In the third place she must break up the Russian colossus. Consequently Germany must have unrestricted, not only over Belgium but the French coast from Dunkirk to Boulogne and possession of the Channel Islands. She must also take the mines in French Lorraine and create an African German Empire by annexing the Belgian and French Congos, British Nigeria, Dahomey and the French West Coast.

"In fixing indemnities the actual capacity of a state at the moment should not be considered. Besides a large immediate payment, annual instalments spread over a long period must be arranged. France would be helped in making them by decreasing her budget of naval and military appropriations, the reduction to be imposed in the peace treaty being such as would enable her to send substantial sums to Germany. Indemnities should provide for the repayment of the full costs of the war and the damages of war notably in East Prussia, the redemption of all of Germany's public debt and the creation of a vast fund for inexpectated soldiers."

The Belleville *Intelligencer* speaks with contempt of the Germans as "rotten losers" and adds:

"If the Hun terms had been reversed by the Allies and imposed upon the defeated nations there might have been some ground for the howls now going up. The Huns are as rotten losers as they were winners and from first to last have inspired nothing but contempt. Even in their great hour of defeat there is no one to sympathize with a nation which knows not sympathy."

The same point is also emphasized by the St. John, N.B., *Globe*:

"The treaty which Germany will be compelled to sign—or suffer the consequences—is severe, but it is mild indeed compared with what Germany would have imposed on Great Britain and her Allies had the case been reversed."

The Victoria, B.C. *Times* looks upon Germany as essentially unrepentant still, asserting that:

"Germany is not entitled to any relaxation of the terms submitted to her and she should receive none. She has not shown any real regret or repentance for what she has done. She has not punished a solitary member of the criminal crowd which controlled her policy up to recent months."

The German people should receive with warm favor the peace the Allies have told them, several newspapers believe. The Toronto *Mail and Empire* points out that "The treaty delivers the German people from the intolerable burden of the war machine, and practically guarantees them immunity from attack as long as they live up to the peace terms."

The Toronto *Star* feels that one section of the treaty will be a welcome relief, hoping that "by a large element of the population the limitation of the army to 100,000 men and the forbidding of conscription may be regarded as a measure of relief rather than as a punishment. Instead of being forced to go into the army they will be forced to keep out of it."

The *Mail and Empire* points out later, however that to achieve the Germans will accept the terms to any permanently mask fashion is a mistaken notion.

"Apart from the cotcels of professional politicians, there is no answering cry of protest from Germany. The masses in Germany seem to be too distressed by immediate woes—by shortage of food, by chaos in industry and a great weariness of turmoil—to care what the terms are. It would be folly, of course, to believe that this is more than a passing condition. When the Germans recover from these depression and have an opportunity to think of the future, they will feel in their hearts what they now feel in their stomachs."

Wanted the Kaiser Indicted

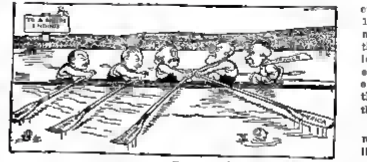
THE majority of Canadian newspapers rathe strangely it may seem, ignore the section referring to Mr Hohenzollern's trial. The few newspapers commenting on this express complete accord. The Lethbridge *Herald* says:

"The solemn arraignment of the ex-Kaiser will constitute memorable exemplification of the truth that wrong doing however it may appear to triumph, is bound by the laws of God and man to suffer. There will be no thought of personal or national vengeance in relation to the trial of the ex-Kaiser."

The Vancouver *Province* eathes questions the wisdom of the section which calls for Austria's perpetual independence:

"The treaty imposed on Germany calls for the independence of German Austria. Whether this is intended to prohibit a merger for all time to come is not clear. There seems to be no substantial reason for keeping the countries apart. As a separate nation Germany has a very small area. It might be better to have them united and then there will be no concealing the responsibility."

Le Devoir, La Presse and other French-Canadian papers with manifest feelings of pleasure contrast the scene at Versailles almost half a century ago, when the Hun was "top dog" with that historic meeting on Wednesday May 7, 1919. *Le Devoir* does not believe however that Germany's power is irretrievably broken. The French Canadian press agree that the terms do not err on the side of severity.



—From the "Daily Express," London

He "Went-now" the Wrong Way

The *Statesman*, a national weekly published in Toronto and edited by Lindsay Crawford takes a very pessimistic view of the peace terms, and asserts that nowhere has the final result of the Versailles Conference met with enthusiasm." This journal says:

'The long delay in formulating their terms, and the hopes so lightly raised and so grievously shattered have combined to disillusion the allied peoples and to sow the seeds of mutual distrust and suspicion. So long as the enemy was in the field the Allied nations were in closest accord and the friendliest relations prevailed. But ever the tension of war was removed and the real aims of the warring nations were revealed at the Peace Conference the high ideals for which the world had made such heavy sacrifices vanished as in a dream. The permanent peace which the nations had sought at so appalling war was found to be impracticable.

'It may be that the world expected too much as the result of its outpouring of blood and treasure but the blame must rest with those who promised so much. Even in the matter of indemnity to be paid—a minor consideration as compared with the establishment of a lasting peace—the world is still in the dark as to the total amount to be exacted from the enemy. The delay of several months, while the accumulating war expenses for the maintenance of Allied armies and the diminution of trade, would be regarded with little concern had Allied statesmen really succeeded in redeeming their pledge, that this was to be a war to end war. For what is the result of the five months' deliberations? It is humiliating to reflect that the only nation apparently, which now stands by Wilsonic fourteen points is Germany. In due time we shall no doubt, learn why Mr Wilson failed to secure the adoption of his original shortlist of peace."

The *Statesman* also regards the League of Nations with acute disappointment, saying:

"Of greater importance is the peaceful puncture however in the attitude of the Allied nations. Significant of their failure to reach the goal cut before a world in arms, was the announcement, simultaneously with the publication of the agreement of the League of Nations of a treaty that binds Great Britain and the United States to go to the aid of France if attacked by Germany. Nothing so clearly demonstrates the failure of the Allies to establish peace through a League of Nations. Alongside this new Balance of Power disquieting symptoms are observable of a realignment of military forces and the establishment of counter-leagues which serve to remind the world how far removed is the millennium of world peace."

And, in conclusion, the *Statesman* bewails the fact that we're pretty much where we were in the days of the Holy Alliance.

"The statesmanship of the Versailles Conference has left the world much or it was when the Holy Alliance, with its vain pretensions of religious and enlightened unity sought to constitute a Concert of Europe charged to the preservation of world peace. The tranquillity of states, the inviolability of possessions and the faith of treaties"

The Victoria, B.C., *Times* answers some criticism made by United States dailies, of the reparation section, saying:



—From "Kladderadatsch," Berlin

COMPARING FOR THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS

The Operation: "Rev. Michael, the amputations are necessary in order to make it possible for you to begin with us at the fete of the League of Nations."

"The principal criticism which has been directed against the Treaty of Versailles in the Allied countries concerns the reparation proposals. A little reflection however, must disclose the impossibility of any final decision in the matter at this stage. Nobody knows what is going to take place in Germany in the next few years. She may have a revolution more or less with the organization of a Government which might repudiate the Treaty of Versailles altogether on the possibility which has prompted the Conference to provide for the creation of a reparation commission over a term of years which will fix the terms and conditions in accordance with the circumstances that may develop from time to time. Certainly it is impossible to place any reliance upon bonds issued by the present Government in Germany."

The Toronto *World* counsels moderation in treating Germany or on entering as the pariah of nations.

"Germany is being sent to Coventry by the civilized powers. Here we have not a question of the justice of their policy, but of its ultimate effect upon ourselves. Granted we have caged the tiger but do we desire to maintain a caged tiger as a component part of international economy?"

"But Germany's isolation is not voluntary—very much the reverse.

"We have caged the tiger, but we are taking no steps to denature the beast. It is characteristic of our civilization that there is nothing in the treaty that would make for the excesse of any abasement or pacifying or enfiaing influence upon the German people. That is left to the German people themselves.

"Intercourse with other free and enlightened nations will be the best antidote for the poison of the Hohenzollern regime which still remains."

The Toronto *Globe* puts the situation somewhat differently:

"Not until Germany by the labor and suffering of her people, has developed her soul of truth and good worship of brute force will she be a fit associate on terms of equality for the countries whose one desire was and is to live at peace with the world."

"Weltmacht oder Niedergang"—world power or downfall—is a failsey says the Montreal *Star*:

"Never since the dawn of history has any State been faced with the absolute alternative of universal do-



Hunter in Toronto "World"

Doing the Last Lap on Three Legs.

minion or national eclipse. Germany is to-day going under the yoke, broken, ruined. Under no illusions as to the extent of her defeat, on the degree of her want of power" to the words of her chief spokesman at Versailles, but she does not face Niedergang' final downfall and eventual obliteration as one of the great nations of the earth."

Germany may eventually rejoin the family of nations adds the *Star*, for

"Her future lies in Germany's hands. Provision is made for the remission of some economic penalties if they are found too exacting. The Allies have no desire to ruin Germany, neither is it their will to perpetuate a pariah nation. The German people said Bruckdorff Rantzau are ready in their hearts to take upon themselves their heavy lot, if the bases of peace which have been established are not any more obnoxious. That is all that is required. It will be a bitter road which Germany must travel, bitter but not impassible.

"Are we ready for the next struggle" is the rather disturbing headline over a *Mail and Empire* editorial. But the "next struggle" is a "trade war" and the *Mail and Empire* says:

"Peace is not simply the negation of war. It is but a different way of struggling. And to a considerable extent it means struggling with the same competitors as those from whom we wrested victory on the fields of battle. Germany will again be our rival in trade as she was before she became our antagonist in war. She will be re-resourceful and indomitable in the new sphere as she was in the other. When she has put her house in the trenty she will be no free to push her wares in the markets of the world as she was before she turned her war machine upon mankind. Germany in the summer of 1914. Of course she is heavily handicapped."

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Would Armies Have Been Wiped Out?

Deadly Poison Gas Was Being Manufactured—Has Been Dumped Into Ocean

A RATHER sensational story is told in the New York *Times Magazine* to the effect that a factory at Cleveland had been making a new and deadly poison gas—a substance that would kill almost instantly and that could not be detected in the air. It had just been perfected when the armistice was signed. The plant had a capacity of ten tons a day—and ten tons would suffice to kill every soul in the city of New York!

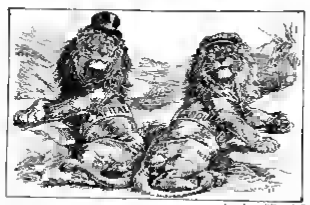
The story is told seriously and it can be accepted certainly as containing a measure of truth. Unquestionably terrible poison gases were being evolved and the war in 1919—had it continued—would have been a struggle of materials rather than of men. Whether the secret has really been found by which the whole population of the earth could be wiped out—for that is what it amounts to if this "methyl" is what the article claims—is a matter that most people will doubt. However, let the article speak for itself.

It had the fragrance of geranium blossoms. It was an oily amber liquid, highly explosive and turning into flame with water. It was the American superpoison gas, deadly by contact or by inhalation of the smallest detectable portion. A drop on the hand would cause unbearable agony and death after a few hours. It was called methyl (exactly because that name did not describe it) and it was the climax of this country's achievement in the lethal arts.

The signing of the armistice spared the enemy any first-hand acquaintance with the terrors of methyl.



Extract from Philadelphia Ledger" The Most Popular Version of "The Watch on the Rhine"



ENGLAND EXPECTS—

Both Lloyd George and Churchill are determined as I am to lie down with anything but a lamb, still for the public good

London "Punch."

Major Gen. W. L. Sibert, in command of the Chemical Warfare Service, had directed that 3,000 tons of it, in shell and demijohn, be in readiness on the battlefield March 1 1919. Ten tons a day were being produced in an eleven-acre plant near Cleveland, Ohio, and the plant was two months ahead of its schedule when Foch crossed No Man's Land to offer terms to a beaten foe. It is estimated that ten tons of methyl in air ten more than enough to depopulate Manhattan Island, and as it is not difficult to guess what would have happened had Hindenburg and his cohorts paralyzed until spring.

Two days after the armistice was signed workmen began dismantling the big plant. They scrapped the unfinished and expensive apparatus, every piece of which had been specially planned and manufactured for the production of the most terrible instrument of mass slaughter ever conceived. On Feb. 1 the work of demolition was complete. There remained no trace of that scattering agent of barrages and lachrymatories which had been a needle of death. But the formulas, processes and records were painstakingly set down for the records at Washington against the contingencies of another war.

There did remain, however, tens and tens of methyl. What was to be done with it, now that there was no longer any active necessity for exterminating Germans? Cleveland did not want the deadly stuff dumped into Lake Erie, and there seemed no practicable method of neutralizing its deadliness chemically. Almost enough was on hand to destroy the entire people of the United States and some safe way must be found to dispose of it.

The ocean was selected as its watch-heeln. Drill cutlos were met in transporting the stuff from Cleveland to the ocenn. Hundlirg such quantities was perilous. So it was put into big iron containers, for it does not react on iron and those containers were loaded into freight cars. Then there was assembled the most extraordinary train probably that ever traversed America or indeed teacha. It moved under an armed guard and on a special schedule. No railroad employee rode on it except the engine driver. The train moved slowly so that two days were consumed in the journey from Cleveland to the Edgewood Arsenal near Baltimore. And there the containers were stowed reefly in a ship and taken fifty miles to sea, where they were lowered over the side into water three miles derp.

Rust will eat pinholes into those containers, and there will be a reefty and gradual intermixture of water with their fatel contents. Ie such circumstances there is no flamr but a slow chemirel reartion which produces two rertiane compounds. Experts do not believe even that fish will perish from the possesce of the ocery bed of this vast quantity of poison. When the salt watee of the Atlantic rmbraced the last of those iron tanks, feit was written to a chepter in American war effect which rerll now has been a secret scrupulously guarded.

Compare this secret new compound with "mustard" which the chemists dubbed "king of poison gases." Mustard was first used by the Germans with terrific effect at Ypres July 30, 1917. Thereafter its use became general and afforded such marked tactical advantage to the enemy that retaliation by the Allies became imperative as a matter of self-preservation. American chemists devised a formula not faneth more toxic than that used by the Germans. The gas, known to chemists as dichlorethyl sulphide, is now the common property of the chemical nations. The processes by which it is made are generally known. It is a sweetish liquid, both in taste and smell, and at ae volatile as turpentine. It contact with the skin its presence is at first not noted. Thee theer begins the burnlee and swelling which prompted its eirekname among the Tammies. It spreads through the tissues, and on reaching the lungs breaks them down, setting up what is called "chemical pneumonia, usually fatal.

Methyl is somewhat more volatile and is compareble in that regard with benzol. Instead of being inoffensive at first contact, it sets up an acute and almost unendurable pain. It does not spread through the tissues, but poisons the blood and attacks first the kidneys then the heart and lungs. It hardens the cell tissues of the lungs and causes simultaneously congestion and a heart affection which speedily produces violent death. If taken into the lungs by inhalation in any perceptible quantity it kills almost instantly. It is estimated to be seventy-two times deadlier than mustard.

The processes of manufacturing the two poisons differ entirely. It is not permissible even now to tell what base is used for methyl, but its manufacture from the raw material requires but a short time. The equipment is elaborate. No fear is felt that experimenters will be able to make such a gas. That the United States came to know of such a poison was due, in the first place, to an accident. Years ago a student of chemistry, then living in another country happened upon a combination which almost cost him his life. It was a compound never made before or at least never recorded. Subsequently he came to this country.



Du ray in New York "Tribune"

Perhaps Ireland Wants to be Recognized Before It's Too Late

No Heart in the German Revolution

The People of That Land Have Not Changed in Spirit

A SUPREMELY good article appears in *Blackwood's Magazine* from the pen of the novelist, Valentine Williams, dealing with conditions in Germany preceding the collapse and since. He sketches very clearly and convincingly the reasons for the sudden break of the German morale. The most interesting part of his argument is his concluding section in which he deals with the present condition of Germany under the sub-heading "The Apathy of Despair." He makes the point that there has been no real change in the spirit of the German people and that there is no heart in the revolution. "The prevailing spirit in Germany is not revolution," he writes "it is despair." He writes in part:

The arms occupied by the Allies in Germany are shut off from the Empire outside. Therefree I am prepared to believe that impressions gathered on the Rhine may not be representative of the situation elsewhere in Germany. But the Berlin papers still come to Cologne, and I have searched them in vain for indications of such a revolutionary spirit, say as threates through the gazettes and broadsides of the French Revolution. Rather the longing for the restoration of order, for the speedy resumption of peace and reconstruction are revealed in the tone of the Berlin press.

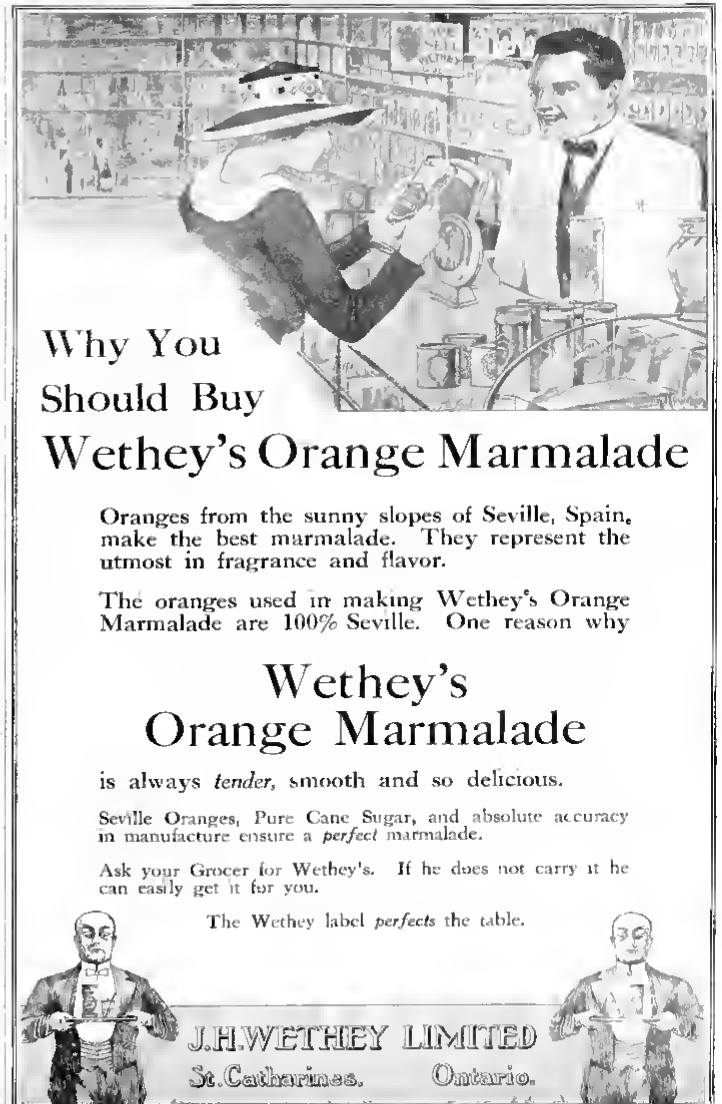
As for the occupied territory, I find it impossible to imagine anything less like a land in the throes of revolution than the fair provinces of the Rhine. Far from there being any outward signs of Bolshevism, Bolshevism is the universal bogey. The inhabitants in town and country have got over their terrors of "reprisals" by the Allied troops, and appear to be actually enjoying the peace and quiet which the presence of the Allied forces promises them.

As far as I am qualified to judge from a long acquaintance with Germany and the German people, the German revolution is not a living force. If revolt had been in the blood of this most docile, the most characteristic of peoples, it would have risen up ere this against kings and tyrants. The Emperor's throne was toppled over, and the thrones of his brother monarchs in Federal Germany followed suit, because this was the only means by which the mass of the German population hoped that they might end the war. Matters had reached such an unbearable pitch that the offer of a piece of bread coupled with specious promises about the immunity of revolution in the Allied countries sufficed to sway the mob to any violent act calculated to procure them alleviation.

The seeds of revolt were planted by the sheer ineptitude of the Gremoe Government. The tidal wave which made such a clean sweep of the Geemen princes carried up to their thrones the agitators who had used the blunders of the Emperor and his advisers to compass their own ends. But the prevailing spirit in Germany is not revolution. It is weariness. It takes the form of dull apathy in some, black despair in others.

The character of the German people has not changed. The Lord High Panjandrum has gone, but his mandarins, the *Beamten*, remain. Save for occasional acts of violence, primarily due to the unimaginable folly of the revolutionary zealots in opening the jails in the first rush of Germany's new born liberty, life proceeds on the old lines. Taxes are paid regularly, policemen continue to bully the crowd, long queues of people gather in their uncomplaining patience, form up in all docility, whether it is to buy a stamp at the post-office or book a seat for the opera.

The German was wont to fawn and grovel before the military. In the occupied territory he does so still with the





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difference that the soldier now wears khaki instead of field-grey. When in a rural district an officer reported to the Bürgermeister that a man had ignored the British order that German civilian males should take their hats off to British officers that worthy promptly told the complainant that he ought to have kneeked the offender's hat off (*den Hut hinunterboxen*, circ.).

That attitude is wholly representative of the relations between officialdom and people in monarchical Germany does not encourage the belief that any great change has taken place in the national mind.

Take this advertisement, culled from a recent number of the "Vossische Zeitung," published in "revolutionary" Berlin:—

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That advertisement, with its truly Prussian mixture of vulgarity and snobbishness, smacks far too much of the old Germany for me to believe that the German revolution is a real thing. Now the German people are waiting for a lead no matter in what direction so long as it restores to them that peace and prosperity they so recklessly squandered. People may try to make our flesh creep with stories of the secret organization of the German Army, but while no measure of precaution should be neglected by the Allies, I firmly believe there is not an ounce of fight left in the German people.

The note of many of the press comments is one of undisguised despair

Will Mohammedanism Disappear?

Peace Terms Will Seriously Limit Power of Moslems

ONE of the most signally important results of the war is the triumph of Christianity over Mohammedanism. On reviewing the facts it does not seem impossible that as a result of the new ordinance that will arise the creed of Islam will ultimately disappear. This in itself would be a result that would compensate the war-weary world for much that has been endured.

The point is made by Judge Wesley O. Howard, writing in the New York *Herald*. He points out that, although the issue was not between Christians on one side and Moslems on the other—for followers of Islam fought on both sides—the outcome is such that Mohammedanism is doomed to a very radical declination of power and influence. For one thing three of the great cities of the Moslems will be transferred to Christian control—Constantinople, Bagdad and Jerusalem. He writes:

"There will, of course, be abundant freedom of religious worship in all the conquered lands of the Turkish territories and the Mussulmans will be as much at liberty to call on Allah as ever he was; nevertheless, the dethronement of the Moslem rulers, and the exultation of Christian governors will exert a deep influence upon the minds of the Mohammedan peoples. And the advantages and security of the Christian civilization will ultimately appeal to the Islamites and will have a tendency, at least, to incline them towards the superior civilization. Moreover, their communities will be invaded by groups of Christian colonists, secure new against Turkish outrages and oppression, and there will be intermingling of family and business interests.

"Industrial enterprises, stimulated by Western zeal and money, will spring up in Jerusalem, Tarsus, Damascus, Bagdad and other Mohammedan cities and revolutionize the customs of the people. Commercial houses and manufacturing establishments will be built, railroads will be stretched, mines developed and wells bored, and all these enterprises will be directed and financed by the people of Christian nations.

"But most destructive of all to the power of Mohammedanism is the defeat of the Sultan of Turkey. This Ottoman monarch was head of the Moslem Church. His person was sacred in the eyes of every Mussulman, and his debasement and impotence must convince Mohammedanism to the foundation and shake even the fanatic faith of the Islamites.

"The Mohammedan races of the Turkish Empire will, of course, be protected in all their rights, but no more will the dripping sword of the unspeakable



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Roosevelt Tells of American Mistakes

American Equipment Which Failed to Meet Requirements

CAPTAIN ARCHIBALD ROOSEVELT, who commenced traveling for the world war while at Harvard in 1916, and reached Europe with Pershing's van-guard while there months after the U.S. got into the conflict, writes feebly in *Everybody's Magazine* of the slackness, blindness, and inefficiency which hampered and delayed American participation. He went to Plattsburg a few days after the camp was opened and began his training along principles which were used in wars previous to 1914. He says:

Imagine the dismay, when after about 3 months training at Plattsburg, we heard that a small force of Regulars would be sent immediately to Europe.

Since our earliest days it had been the ambition of my brother and me "to beat out father," as we called it. I remember one moose hunt, when we let several moose escape, just because they were not quite as big as the moose my father had killed. We could not bear the thought of going home with a smaller specimen than he. At last we did get a bigger head only to have my father shoot one next season so much bigger than ours that we gave up the attempt. And now again it looked as if father would "beat us out." In the Spanish American War he had been among the first to land in Cuba. It seemed that we were doomed to remain home training, while other American soldiers were fighting in Europe.

My brother Kermit, being a student, of course could not be taken, but with rare initiative managed to enroll himself in the British army and later transferred to the A. E. F.

Fortunately, my father had some friends among the highest officers in the Army, and was gentleman enough to want me to beat him, so he sent a message to General Pershing asking the General to take me as private in his first Expeditionary Force. General Pershing refused to take Ted and me as privates, but ordered an overseas lieutenancy for each of us. Ted had a second lieutenancy in the Infantry Reserve. We were ordered to be assigned to the General Staff, but General Pershing well knew that staff duty is not wanted by active, healthy young men who have never been in the line, and at once acceded to our request to be late an Infantry regiment of the line.

I arrived in Paris just in time to be assigned to the Sixteenth Infantry Regiment, Regular Army, of the First Expeditionary Division, and had the good fortune to parade through Paris, July 4, 1917.

The management of gas defense is typical of the confusion engendered by war in the War Department and Army. One division landed in France with respirators. Later in July we were supplied with French gas-masks. We later adopted what was supposed to be an improved British respirator type, manufactured in America. Fortunately the chemical service of the A. E. F. discovered in time that the so-called improvements made the masks leak when subjected to one of the most dangerous German gases—the mustard gas. So General Pershing had to obtain directly from England the British respirators.

Nothing daunted, the swivel-chair experts in the United States produced another child of their mighty intellects. This time built on the same model as the first, it respirator it was so encumbered with safety devices that, in spite of minor improvements, the weight of the mask was a serious handicap.

From a young officer in the chemical service I later learned that the staff in the United States had sent over another absolutely safe type of respirator. The safety was obtained by having the facepiece fit so tightly that after fifteen minutes circulation was stopped. As a gas attack often lasts eight hours, a man wearing such a mask was either obliged to remove the mask and die of gas poisoning, or else he was apt to lose consciousness from the effects of the face-piece.

I understand from this same lieutenant that we were eventually going to have an excellent and effective gas-mask, but up to the time I left France twenty months after we had declared to the war, the new American gas-masks were in the same place as the Liberty airplanes, the Liberty trucks and the Browning machine guns. All were figments of the imagination.

The automatic rifle flaseo is perhaps even more glaring than the airplane because even less expensive.

Capt. Roosevelt says that the U.S. declined to use General Lewis' famous weapon and delayed, almost until Armistice Day waiting for the Washington D.C. pet product—the Browning.

The grenades, the "Best in Europe" at home (as our daughter-in-law called the General Staff) adopted their usual dilatory experimental methods. While we were fighting with grenades improved from the hard-pressed French, the governmental officials were experimenting with the idea of obtaining a perfectly safe grenade. They found it. It was safe both for us and for the Germans. Only a trained mechanic in a large, quiet field could set one off. So up to my departure from France, American troops used only French grenades.

With rifle grenades, our case was more indicative. The French V.B. is the most successful rifle grenade because it can be used either as a rifle or a hand grenade. A sort of cup (called by the French a *tromblon*, is attached at will to the muzzle of an ordinary French service rifle. A special and heavy grenade fits into the *tromblon* and is propelled by an ordinary French service cartridge fired from the rifle, the grenade exploding about twelve seconds after being launched from the *tromblon*. With a range of nearly two hundred yards, a trained trajectory and a dangerous zone of about twenty yards, it is a formidable infantry weapon against machine gun nests.

Of course we had no such weapon in our Army, so the first time we entered the trenches we were forced to discard eight men per company of their Springfields, and arm them with the antiquated French service rifle fitted for *tromblons*. Eventually modifications were made fitting them to the United States Army rifle. But even then, it was not until late in January, 1918 that the defects were entirely remedied, and a serviceable *tromblon* issued. And at that, up to the time I left for the United States we were still using French rifle grenades.

The French V.B. *tromblon* also fired a signal rocket. But as each of these rockets had attached to it a special cartridge of the French calibre, specially loaded to fire the rockets up to the time I was needed we were forced to disarm our eight company runners of their Springfield rifles and arm them with the antiquated and heavy French rifle.

For visual signaling the rocket is perhaps the most simple of all the signal apparatus of a modern infantry company, and is used for illuminating "no man's land" at night, and calling for artillery barrages. The system of calling for barrages and instructing artillery in the wishes of the infantry, depends on the number of the color of the stars shot by the rocket.

But here again we were entirely dependent on the French. And we had several serious times because our doughboys were unable to read the directions written in French on the rockets.

There were several ways of launching these signal rockets. From the V.B. *tromblon* as I have already described, or like a regular Fourth-of-July rocket from a stand, or from the "Very" pistol, a short brass pistol, carrying a rocket cartridge of about the diameter of a ten-gauge shot-gun shell, but quite a little longer. And nothing did we know of this signaling before we received in France. I remember one of my sergeants (Ross, I think it was) staring at the pistol when we issued it to him and asking "why the Frogs (soldiers slang for Frenchmen) had wished a three-inch field piece on an infantry company." I must confess I was at that time just as ignorant of its uses as he was.

Indeed, all signal equipment was French and remained French probably to the end of the war, and certainly until I was invalided home in August, 1918.

Lack of equipment and lack of training and organization made it impossible to start our actual training in modern warfare based on the lines developed by the English, French and Germans until July 24, 1917—one month less two days after our arrival in France. And even then we could only "simulate" the wanted equipment required by an infantry company in modern warfare. Such vitally necessary articles as gas masks and steel helmets did not arrive until August, 1917.

Eventually most of our borrowed regalia did come out in October we were all cheered by the news that we were to go to the trenches. The enthusiasm was somewhat dampened, however, when about two weeks before we started we found all our 1917 rifle ammunition to be defective. It had passed the factory tests and the careless eyes of Government inspectors, and had been sent to us overseas, where the difference between perfect and imperfect ammunition meant the difference between life and death to our soldiers. Fortunately, it had been discovered by the troops in time to substitute the 1906 for 1917 ammunition.

I believe it was October 18, 1917, that we moved up for the first time into the firing line. Nearly four months after landing in France, our "splendidly equipped and trained" Regular division was considered by the Allied command only sufficiently trained to be placed in the line with the proportion of one American battalion to one French regiment of three battalions. Nor did the Allied command place American troops in the line at this time for fighting purposes. They were placed there simply for part of their training, and the Allies had to supply us with most of the transportation and all of the highest officers.

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Added to all this the supply system contained by officers ignorant of supplying rations in the field and the pushing too much on male hams and light treeks utterly broke down and we were often entirely without food.

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The Fiercest Foe of Bolshevism

Kolchak the Terrible Tartar Who Believes in the Old Order

A POWERFUL figure has arisen in Siberia to fight the Russian Bolshevik. Admiral Kolchak has so far succeeded in the field against the Red forces as to forbid from passing the front he has established at Omsk and thus has definitely established an eastern boundary to the power of the Communists. It is believed that he may ultimately overthrow Lenine and Trotsky.

Kolchak is a Tartar and rather a terrible figure—grim ruthless and a believer in the old order. He was described in Current Opinion shown him to be a typical servant of the old Russian regime, but a fiercely figure nevertheless. The article reads in part

Bolshevism has caught a Tartan titan in the person of the famed dictator in Siberia, Alexander Vassilivich Kolchak. He is of Tartan extraction, affirms his friend Count Garston de Mermaid, in the London *Post*. An enthusiastic admirer of Kolchak writing in the Paris *Figaro*, adds that in the traits and the temper of Kolchak we see incarnated all the qualities of the legendary Khans of Mongolia. In that Asiatic land warriors grow strongest and more pugnacious as they age. Kolchak is now forty-five and looks not one second according to the standards of his country his nearest is only beginning. He has the somewhat small physique of the Tartar, with all the Tartar fitheness and nonchalance in his walk and in the agitated poise of his head that astonishingly slight square shoulders. He shaved off his beard ten years ago and has worn none since, not even the customary chin whiskers of his people. The boneless of his face is conspicuously in the front of the sallow visage and suggest the man he is. The jaw juts forth aggressively, and the lips are firmly shut unless the habitual explosion of anger cuts the lips going tremulously, and the loud voice rings. The nose is acutely hawk like, and the wide nostrils that denote temper. The eyes are the hue of steel. Two of the teeth are exceptionally large. There is a nervous twitching in the countenance which tells its own story. Koltchak clicks his teeth ominously when one of his temperamental explosions pending. He stares you straight into the eyes of anyone with whom he happens to be talking.

Koltchak is described in the Paris *Matin* as the incarnation of Bolshevism among all its enemies. His eyes flash his nose flys his twinkling countenance turns green, red and yellow and his voice raps whenever he hears the names of Lenine, Trotsky, Tchicherin and the other Bolsheviks. His language becomes unprintable. They stand for all that he loathes. For Koltchak was reared in the strictest traditions of constituted authority and obedience to orders. At an early age he became a pupil at the great naval college maintained by the aristocracy. For the special purpose of training a breed of grim sea dogs upon the Prussian model. The rank and file were made to obey. The select few were born to command. While men live there will be war. All this is part of the natural order of things and discussion about it reveals the rebel the traitor the enemy of society. Such in the gospel according to Koltchak, absorbed mainly by him at the naval school and put into practice from the moment of his first voyage as a midshipmen in the old Russian cruiser *Rurik*. Koltchak did not spare his men in those days, but neither did he spare himself. In his dilettante gushbolt for his mathematics and his aptitude for the science of navigation as a pupil in the academy and he was now to reveal himself as a disciplinarian. He had a touching faith in the knout as a means of maintaining discipline and he would cut off the wages of the men at the smallest provocation. The rank and file and the men in command belong, as he believes to two different orders of humanity with nothing in common. He who is born to obey must obey and Koltchak is not the one to shrink from any logical conclusion from these premises.

By the time he had risen to the command of a ship Koltchak was famed for his accomplishments. As a matter, however he was a student of human nature as well and his nerves went to extremes that brought on spells of nausea. Koltchak has faith in fate and in vodka as a simple expedient. "Get them all drunk." He has been known to declare that vodka is the commander's most effective "friend." urged the humanitarian Vlasensky, shocked by the sentiment. "vodka is the sailors worst enemy." "I knew it," answered Koltchak "but I'm not such a fool as to let the sailor know it."

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If I waited three days I would kill you on the spot." The words were met forth between clicking teeth with a significant movement of a hand in which was seen to be a revolver. One day a mutinous crew thought it had Koltchak locked up in his cabin but he had divined what was afloat and engaged up a man of straws in his uniform while he took refuge for the night near one of the big guns. "We have him! jailed the leaders of the mutiny." "You have me," shouted Koltchak stepping off the eyemalin that hid his uniform "and you'll keep me." He swung a pair of revolvers and had the meeting quelled before the sheepish officers realized that it had occurred. When his friend, the late Premier Vlasensky expressed his sympathy for Koltchak, after a thrilling affair in which the sailors had to pursue a band of mutineers around and around the deck of a cruiser until they leaped overboard the spectator replied. "Your sympathies should be with the men, for I enjoy myself much more than they do." The retort throws a flood of light upon the character of Koltchak, suspects the French duly for he takes a stern delight in redeeming in empires of all creeds against constituted authority. Thus is the psychology of his attitude to Bolshevism. When a mutiny has reached a desperate stage Koltchak goes from simple expedient. "Get them all drunk." He has been known to declare that vodka is the commander's most effective friend." urged the humanitarian. Vlasensky, shocked by the sentiment, "vodka is the sailors worst enemy." "I knew it," answered Koltchak "but I'm not such a fool as to let the sailor know it."

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In France to-day one is inured indeed who can identify every American officer by the device on his shoulder. Few persons have seen more in long, leaping and even greyhound on a field of mire with a narrow border of gold. It is the insignia of the smallest (by count of rank) most populous and one of the most important branches of the American army and the American peace machine in Europe. The officer who wears the Greyhound on his shoulder is one of seventy—known technically as "Official Diplomatic Couriers"—but to the service and other in Odessa London Constantinople or Paris as the Greyhounds.

The Greyhounds have had serious work to do. There is the task of carrying dispatches that have to do with America's part in the great historic readjustments being made in Paris; they bring back the news that determines American policy in many important can triplers. Just as in war time they went through the thick of the fighting even dash foggy, shell torn roads, through crowded cities filled with frightened refugees now they go through the disciplined lands of the enemy and the Bolsheviks, and are compelled to meet with initiative and precision the emergencies that arise from deranged transportation facilities, quick deserters and machine gun marauders.

As constituted to-day the service is composed of privates, officers made from the ranks and "made" who made the transatlantic service a voyage during the war. The seventy men have been picked for special qualifications—for their quick mental adjustability and a command of languages. They include aviators, staff officers, medical officers, engineers honor men from the front and have proved widely diverse gunsmiths—low medicine bank ing business. Besides there is a Greyhound part and a marine artist.

These officers have opened up Germany under the sullen gaze of the Germans themselves to communication with the Peace Conference in Paris. They go speeding from Paris with dispatches for Buchar est, Belgrade, Constantinople, and go not only into the heart of Poland, Czechoslovakia, Jugo slavia but also into the tormented Russias of Russia.

Two officers of the Greyhound service were the first Americans to go to Belgrade after the armistice, and they traveled in an Italian hospital train without windows and proceeded without schedule. Seven diner ters who boarded the train proved to be menacing characters. The chief in charge of refugee guard chin noaks o natu ly with drawn revolvers and to ass them sleep in watches. Nevertheless, the people in a town where there was a Serbian military command one of the officers held the deserters by the point of his pistol while the other summoned the military authorities. When the train waited at the station the Serbian commander held a general court martial and sentenced the deserters to imprisonment.

On the return of the officers to Paris after two fights with deserters hurled the episode that ended in a reconnaissance of them was asked how he liked his job. Weary and dirty, worn out as he was, his shoulders went back and his head went up as he declared in "It's great. There's nothing like it to keep you going!" After a bath and a night's rest that performer officer started the following morning for Berlin.

The Greyhounds have never been "out of luck." They have had escapes that were in the nature of spec al dispensations. Many of the seventy wear stripes on both sleeves. During the war men were killed all around them, but through all their active service when in war or the opening era of peace, their record s show as yet not a single fatality.

One of the closest escapes from death was the fortune of a Greyhound who recently took the regular daily passage by airplane from Paris to Brussels. He left Paris at noon with a big 300 h.p. Hisuget plane and a French pilot. The distance is 235 miles and it is usually done in an hour and fifty minutes.

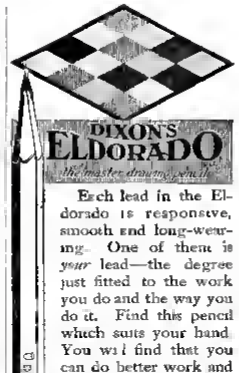
On this day the carrier had traversed almost the entire width of the battlefields and devastated area between Paris and Brussels and was coursing on at an altitude of 2,200 feet when the most dreaded of airplane accidents happened. The contender of the machine snapped off.

Down down, whirled the heavy plane spinning in a hideous spiral from 2,000 feet. When within 200 feet of the ground by the chance that is the Greyhound's luck—one in a 1,000—the plane caught the air and the spun changed to a precipitous glide. It was only for an instant, but the momentary glide made all the difference and was enough to check the fall. Arrested for that brief moment, the plane clipped again and crashed to the ground a total wreck.

To the astonishment of three Belgian peasants who rushed to the scene, not only were the aviation and his pilot able to pull themselves out from the debris, but also the Greyhound—Lieut. Silas B. Eagle—assembled to his feet, and looking for the nearest road, said in his now broken French:

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Farmer Socialists in Control

How State of North Dakota is Being Ruled

RECENTLY newspapers and periodicals have been dimensioning warmly what they call "the North Dakota idea." It is an experiment in socialism that the farmers have forced on that state and consequently the discussion does not look bitterness. It has been waged with increasing heat, but in the meantime the North Dakota idea has been translated into an actuality. North Dakota is being built over again on distinctly new lines.

To those who have not learned just what this new idea is, an article by Anthon Ruhl in the *Atlantic Monthly* will be well worth reading. He describes it as follows:

The farmers of North Dakota have embarked upon an experiment in public ownership and control more radical than any yet attempted by any American state. Organized as members of the National Non Partisan League, and controlling the legislative machinery of the state they have amended their constitution and passed a long programme of bills.

This legislation permits the state to engage in any kind of business. It provides for state-owned terminal elevators and flour-mills, a state bank to finance these and other enterprises, an industrial commission to organize and direct such business, consisting of the Governor, the Attorney-General and the Commissioner of Agriculture and Labor.

The state is to build homes and buy farms, within certain price limits, for groups of citizens who put up twenty per cent. of the cost and engage to pay the rest in from 10 to 40 years, at rates within a period of twenty years. There in previous fan state hail insurance, fan redu ng discriminatory freight rates for various revenue measures intended to put the burden of taxation on those best able—in the opinion of the farm ers—to bear it. In short, where the citizens of a purely agricultural community—about eighty-five per cent. of the population of North Dakota is "rural"—many practical proposals that effective elsewhere have set about remodelling their neighborhood according to what they fancy in their heart s desire.

It is at this psychological moment, after a lot of smouldering discontent, and after the legislators have thrown them, on hen the A. C. Townley, of Beach North Dakota, appeared on the scene.

Townley—of whose personality I shall speak more in detail later—is a young man of imagination and great natural ability. With an initial capital except his own energy, and borrowed $5000, he started a movement which in four years, has built up a fighting organisation controlling the political machinery of one state and reaching out into several others, and the members of which seem by their leader as if he combined all the admirable qualities of Napoleon Bonaparte and Abraham Lincoln.

The bitter criticisms of Mr. Townley as a leader of farmers, on the ground that he fanned seem rather beside the mark. Each man to his job. There are men who make things for the pleasure of making them and men whose pleasure it is to direct the making of things, and both are needed in a complex world. At the same time, in measuring the depth of Mr. Townley's convictions, and the soundness of his agitation it is no more than just to recall that he was a North Dakota Cincinnatus, reluctantly called from the plough.—the Non Partisan Governor Lynn Frazier, in more in that line last a dynamic person more in his element leading an army of farmers than being a farmer himself. In 1911 Townley tried wheat-farming on a large scale near Cheyenne Wells, Colorado, and failed it is said, with a loss of some $70,000. He next tried flax, near Beach North Dakota, with the same, so his opponents say, of winning the title of "Flax King." Frost ruined the crop, and the judgments against Townley and his brother are said to have been in the neighborhood of $400,000 in bankruptcy proceedings last year at Bismarck there were liabilities of $70,000 and assets of $479.

Townley's ingenuity in turning even such episodes to his advantage was shown one evening shortly my stay in Bismarck, when he spoke at a meeting called primarily to discuss the new State Bank. It was the first time I believed, that he had spoken in Bismarck and there was a good deal of curiosity to hear him. Looking down at the crowd, of only every available seat being occupied at some time in his life had a mortgage hanging even him he drawled out an imitation of Mrs. Fiske's famous as the only man who ever went broke on a wheat farm, and had recourse to the same laws which rich men made to protect themselves." The soundness of this comment on bankruptcy laws might be open to argument, but the crowd applauded.

Well Townley started out with his friend and his $5,000, a substantial farmer F. B. Wood of Deering, North Dakota, who had been active for years in the Farmers Equity Society, joined Townley and became the latter's first vice-president. The idea caught on, new recruits themselves became organizers each taking along with him into a strange neighborhood, some farmer known on the locality to back him up.

The original volunteers soon grew into an organization which could hire rentwomen on a commission basis. A state paper was started in the fall of 1915, and in 1916 a full state ticket was nominated. At the election that fall all the state officials but one were elected as were a majority of the House members, and eighteen out of the twenty-five men sent that year to the Senate. In 1918, the League won a majority in both houses and elected its candidates



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The story of this fight—the adventures of motor-car canvassers the big pickets the balking up of a chain of newspapers, the mob attacks on League organizers, last rammed on charges of disloyalty especially in Minnesota—all this is too long to go into here. The essential point, the difference between this and most other former organizations was that it started out toward the definite goal of a fighting political machine, with money, newspapers, and brains behind it.

Money was one essential. It was needed to work with and it was needed to help make the Nonpartisan Nationalist slogan—"strike." Men who had paid real money would want to follow it up. The dues first set at $2.50, were raised to $15 for fixed two year periods. That is to say, whether you join in the first or in the last month of the twenty-four months you pay your $15 just the same. If the figures for League membership are accurate here, right now, is more than $3,000,000 to work with.

Another essential was a machine which the enemy could not smash or corrupt. Its measures stood up to the present, the Non-Partisan League has been all right. At the top as President and Chairman of the National Executive Committee, is Townley himself. The three members of the Executive Committee hold office in such a way that the term of only one expires every two years, and the other two nominate his successor. Townley's term expired this year, and although millions of fiery words have been written against him, and he has been railed at everything from autocrat to traitor, he was returned as president by a vote of more than a hundred to one.

Tennis With Beatty

American Ensign Says Admiral Plays as Successfully as He Fights

AN American naval officer, Ensign Hunter, had the good fortune to play with Sir David Beatty as his tennis partner during several of those long months of "watching and waiting" for the Hun navy to come out. In *World's Work* he writes interestingly of his first encounter. The British Admiral apparently has heard of Hunter's tennis prowess, and counts to his ship for him—Hunter being with Vice Admiral Sims' Staff. The story the U.S. ensign tells follows:

Silence and respect followed Sir David as we mounted the gangway of the King's pontoon and stepped into his waiting launches. We were off in a jiffy. By this time let me admit, I began to feel a bit inflated and rather like a royal prelate. But the Admiral gave little chance for reflection. As we passed along the waterfront he told me the story of the great dockyard and its attendant "city under the water" which, mushroom like, sprang into existence almost overnight. And he expressed grave doubts as to the future of it all, holding that what little money may be left after the war will be spent about as freely as blood. We then took to talking tennis, on which ground I felt more solid in spite of my striving to conceal it. Thus we arrived at Aberdour.

Right here my sense of humor served me, for I was forthwith made as I followed Sir David into the lounging room, to the gunrits. The Grand Admiral toting along a lowly Ensign! I shall never forget the expression I caught on Admiral Kadman recognized me. He had lunched that day with Lady Beatty and a party of guests who were, of course, still gathered about the fire. I think he knew that I was expected but hardly that I should come with the Great One himself. I was presented to Lady Beatty and eventually reached around the circle to Kadman. He posed a witty remark which pleased me and sent a ripple over the room, and the agony was over. After chatting while Commodore Bentinck arrived with Lieut. Cleethrer of King's Messenger. We left to prepare for the dunbir which had been planned. Nothing would do but that Lady Beatty should see the game. She is quite as keen on it as Sir David.

We were soon ready for the court. Peter, aged eleven, the second son, had *escorted* me to change in his room. My surprise, as we started to play, was well founded for considering his age and the life my partner had led, it was paired with the Admiral) I looked for little real tennis. Few games were played, however, before I realized that it was real play and that my partner was doing all the scoring for me. In the confusion of gold lace I lost the first set for our side. Perhaps it was well for if all had gone smoothly I should have missed a lot. Beatty at once became a bulldog. He is the same fighter on the court as on the sea, and the seriousness of his "do or die" remarks brought me up all standing. In that second set I let go everything. We won it and after losing the next rather narrowly captured the two following for the match. I have seldom seen a man more pleased over a tennis game. He cheered stepped me on the back guyed our opponents and thoroughly enjoyed it. To lose doesn't enter his thoughts. I remember him saying over and over, while we were behind, "Here! We can't let it stand like this, it will never become us to be beaten." "No Sir," I would agree. "We're not going to lose." The result was that toward the end I was literally knocking the cover off the ball and going fairly well. But the study of the Admiral proved quite as absorbing as the game.

After tea (you know the English *always* have tea during their afternoon sport) I had a glimpse of another phase in talking to David Junior, the thirteen year-old son and heir of the Admiral he told me of the stunts he is doing with mechanical toys. He took me to the playroom where he showed me a model "Sub" that really dived, a miniature Tiger whose turrets actually train, a baby "tank" quite complete in detail, perfect little steel deck cranes which receive and lift weights precisely as the big ones. The lad is an admiral in the making. He already knows as much of the Grand Fleet organization as I do and speaks several languages. We had not been there long when in came the Admiral, gaite tackled to dress for dinner, insisted that I must see everything and, indeed, seemed as pleased with the toys as his young son. I don't blame him. He put all sorts of questions to the kid who seldom failed in his reply. When he did the Admiral became very stern. His whole attitude was a sort of constructive devotion. Neither his duties nor his gold lace have made him any the less chummy with the boy.

A Close Picture of Foch

American Painter Describes His Experiences With Great Marshal

AN unusual opportunity to study Foch at close range was vouchsafed to Joseph Cummings Chase the American portrait painter. He was in France with a commission to paint the great generals of the war and, after some delays he was able to arrange a sitting with the supreme commander. His tells of this very interestingly in *World's Work*:

Not to lose any time, I immediately put my painter's smock, arranged my paints, and with mahl rtish and brushes stuck fleshingly through the thumb hole of the palette, awaited the Marshal's arrival in the private passage way just outside his office. I was all ready to "go over the top" at a moment's notice. Soon a small sized man, with a quirk nervous step came down the passage way. The thing that first attracted my attention was the Marshal's smile. I saw this long before I took in the rest of his figure; it degenerated almost into a grin as he gave me a nod in passing for my state of preparedness had evidently aroused his sense of humor. Yet this delightful smile was exceedingly reassuring, showing that my apparent neglect of the morning had not offended the Marshal's dignity.

In a few minutes I was ushered in and formally presented. The Marshal jumped up quickly, thrust out his hand rapidly and gave me a grip that reminded me of Theodore Roosevelt. His smile of greeting also disclosed his teeth—though with these details the resemblance to Mr. Roosevelt ended.

"Do you speak French?" was his first question.

"I have a little French," I answered, but it is merely the argot of the Latin Quarter."

This made the Marshal laugh outright. In a spirit of boyish mischief he tried a few slang Latin Quarter phrases on me evidently to see if I could "get" them. Happily I was able to answer in kind, and this gave Marshal Foch very evident pleasure.

"May I work or do you wish that I should give attention to you?" he asked.

I did not wish to be unreasonable but still I could get better results if I had at least a measure of his attention. I started to explain this somewhat hesitatingly to the Marshal who cut short the explanation.

"Anything you Americans want from me you can have," he said.

In a few moments however he made another request.

"May I smoke?"

The extent to which the Supreme Commander of seven or eight million men was subjecting himself to my ordeal was almost embarrassing. I gave him permission to smoke and the painting began.

Frankly, had I known what the Marshal meant by "smoking," I would not have acceded so readily. The result was that I painted the great French general sitting behind what was practically a dense smoke screen. I have never seen such a smoker and I had never imagined that there could ever be one like him. A huge brown pipe lay on the table as soon as he had gained the artist's acquiescence, the long, thin nervous fingers of the Marshal's hand seized it, filled it in a twinkling inserted it firmly between his lips and instantly the veteran erupted. In a second the Marshal himself was all but lost to view; now and then I could get a glimpse of the end of a portion of the left cheek, nose, and other lineaments, which I had to jot down on my sketch as opportunity offered. It was veritably a case of "no visibility." All the while I could hear the sharp staccato sounds of the Marshal's lips, tightly pursed about the pipe stem, as, with characteristic rapidity, he puffed away. At times I paused, waiting until he had finished the pipe. But as it was—it took the Marshal only about three minutes to do that and then I hastily set to work for I had a full unrestricted view. Then I saw the object Theodore Roosevelt. His smile of greeting also disclosed his teeth—though with these details the resemblance to Mr. Roosevelt ended.

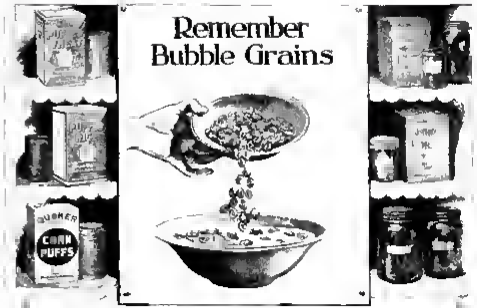
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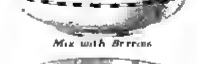
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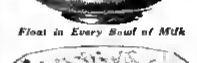
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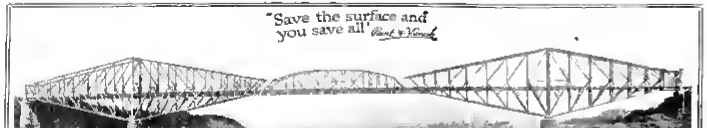
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hopelessly entangled. While I was struggling with my sentences, trying vigorously to make my meaning clear, Foch outwitted me by breaking into perfect English, telling me in my own tongue what I was trying to say.

But they told me that you spoke no English," I said, in accents that showed my surprise.

He smiled and said in perfect English again:

"Sometimes—for my friends!"

In the course of the sitting I referred to the trouble I was having with my passport.

The Marshal's aide asked to see it, glanced through it, and disappeared with it. In half an hour he returned and handed me the passport vised. If any one wants quick action in Paris, I would advise him to get into immediate personal touch with Marshal Foch!

Despite the smoky atmosphere I did obtain a complete view of the Marshal's remarkable face. It has more lines than any other face I have ever seen. His hair is large, its most striking characteristics are the heavy lidded eyes—heavy lidded, though keen—the eyes of a student, a dreamer, a thinker, and the lines of expression that radiate from those eyes are so numerous that they register a remarkable variety of expressions. He has not much hair, though he is not bald. It is simply thin and gray. His photographs usually show him with his cap, and the makes the man look years younger. Despite the lines of his face, the expression is so keen and so tremendously alive and alert that were it not for his thin, gray, almost white hair, one would give him the benefit of ten years. His nose is what I might call rugged, there is an abrupt change of angle on the sides as observed from the front, and his chin is coming well to the right. The Marshal has a way of thrusting the chin forward a bit and at the same time pushing forward his under lip. His jaws are rather thin and close tightly. The mouth is one sided, corresponding to the swing of the chin, so that his mustache, which is quite gray, seems to be off centre, and to be much higher on the right side of his face than on the left. The cheek bones are strongly modeled but not at all showy, and the whole head is symmetrically regular but somehow not heavy in size and form.

The French language has been used as the language of diplomacy because it has so many adjectives which enable it to express clearly anything. In just this way the hundreds of lines sharply cut in Marshal Foch's face seem to have been cut there to express all emotions, and all their varying nuances. Any picture which shows these lines gives the effect of a man ten years older than Foch in cool life seems to be. Foch is a nervous man, but he has his nerves entirely under control; there is no tremor, no unsteadiness, but everywhere a look of radiant health. The skin has good color, not a bright flush, but a full blooded appearance. The eyelids close and open smartly when he winks, and his gaze is as steady as that of a young man.

I was a little puzzled at first about the color of his eyes.

"What color do you think they are?" asked the Marshal.

He jumped from his chair, walked swiftly over to where I was sitting and thrust his face into mine so that it was only a few inches away.

"See for yourself!" he said.

The great affection and respect in which everybody around him holds Marshal Foch were constantly manifest. He has such natural dignity that his aide is ordered, laugh and joke with his aides, and treat them as a man of many families, yet never does he forget that he is a Marshal of France and hence do his subordinates fail to observe the proper due to his rank—and above all, to the man himself. He is a man without a peer, the soul to whom his aide could easily relate an amusing incident knowing beforehand that the story would be appreciated. In fact, twice during the afternoon one of his staff appeared, and leaning forward spoke to the General, who on both occasions burst into a hearty laugh. I have known few men who laugh so well. His sympathy and dignity were reflected in his clothes. His uniform was the type which I understand he likes best to wear. It is unostentatious that it resembles the polis costume. The Marshal wore no decorations the only insignia of his rank being the five stars of the Marshal that are on both sleeves.

I found that the painting made the Marshal look too old, and asked him if he thought so. He looked at it quietly and said—the reply has always seemed to me to sum up his character:

"No. I am old. And you must be true."

Muzzling the Truth in Paris

How the French Censors Work—How to Get Back to Truth

THE world agrees on one point, with reference to the peace negotiations—that they have been characterized by too much old fashioned see-sawing and too little straightforward handling of subjects in the open. Mark Sullivan, writing in *Collier's Weekly*, goes further and says that the world needs to get back to teeth. It is quite apparent that the official habit of regulating everything to be published that grew up with the war is still strongly ingrained in the official mind, and, as Mr. Sullivan declares, the time has come for a change. His explanation of some of the things that are being done in Paris are both astonishing and amusing. He says:

Whether among the agitated peace doctors at Paris or in the comparative detachment of America, when I reflect on the troubles of a sick and sorely wounded world, I accept as everybody else does, as a diagnosis that is many sided and intricate. But of one thing I never cease to be confident. If a really big doctor were called in, there is one thing he would do first—he would throw open the windows and let in the air and sun; thereafter he might make a very complex diagnosis, or he might make a simple one. He might recommend one treatment or another, or he might say there is a cure except time and rest. Or he might give the case up as beyond his powers. But the disinfecting quality of sun and the cleansing effect of the sun I am sure he would insist upon. And I think they would do a great deal toward at least setting the world on its way to recovery.

By light and air I mean truth. And truth is not in Paris. Truth is not in Europe, and has not been for nearly five years. Truth has ceased to face them. With the beginning of the war, truth went the way of everything else—it was taken over by the Government. It was rationed. As with bread and wool and butter and cheese and gooseberry jam, the Government took over the sources of supply and the machinery of distribution, and the public was allowed to have as much as the Government thought was good for it. That the case is worse with truth than with jam the Government may seize the other commodities and only let them out in doles, but at least on Government authorities them.

When one says the truth has not come out of Europe for five years, it sounds like a loose and easy generalization. But when you reflect upon it, that is literally the case. If you start with Germany and her allies, everybody will admit that on the last day of August, 1914, truth ceased to function, ceased to flow out spontaneously to the rest of the world. The case of France, England, and the rest of Europe differs from Germany only in degree. During war time all truth is divided into two kinds: there is agreeable truth (agreeable, that is, to the Government)—that kind is put out as propaganda, and there is every other kind of truth—all of that kind is censored. The Governments built up elaborate mechanisms to handle both kinds: they built them up not only at home but in the neutral capitals of the allies. There were and still are elaborate mechanisms for propaganda and elaborate mechanisms for censorship. During the five years of war all the Governments have dealt with truth through one or the other of these two agencies. The system name lets being as an index of what has been held by Government officials long and so continuously that it has become their normal way of looking at things. They accept talk to stop until they want to stop. The hardest thing to demobilize in the official mind, and that is genuinely the thing most necessary to demobilize before the world can get back to normal. Probably it won't be done until either there is an explosion or some man comes along who appreciates the distinction and has the power and healing qualities of truth and frankness—some one who will cast out all the organizations of Government paid censors and Government paid propagandists for the manipulation of truth. There is no such man at the Peace Conference. Among the elements who need to talk about the personnel of the various delegations one can touch by the frequency with which people tell you that the biggest man at the Conference was Venizelos the Greek. (President Wilson is among those who hold that opinion.) It made quite a sensation to learn more about Venizelos and when I asked a person who knew him well just what was the quality that distinguished him, the reply was: "Well, for one thing, Venizelos never says publicly what he doesn't say privately." And a man of that simplicity and candor is a rare, a very rare bird among the statesmen who are can-





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"I object to being herded like a *flock of sheep* with other farmers and just am I am two men living all the same for us. Our men will get up and vote as he tells a ballot in a paper and then people call that public opinion

it's nonsense as we all know right well.

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World Owes 200 Billions

Gross Indebtedness Has Mounted During War Period From 37 Billions

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According to the statement

The indebtedness of Great Britain in the middle of 1914 represented a mortgage equal to 4 per cent. of the nation's wealth now represents a mortgage equal to more than 44 per cent. of that wealth. The indebtedness of Germany, which in 1914 represented a mortgage of 9 per cent. of Gammany's national wealth now represents a mortgage of nearly 50 per cent of that wealth For Austria-Hungary the increase has been to 60 per cent of the nation's wealth, for France and Russia to 45 per cent and for the United States 8 per cent.

Comparison of the Jan. 1 1919 figures with the national debt figures as they stood at the outbreak of the war on August 1 1914 is given as follows:

Gross Debt of	Aug. 1 1914	Jan. 1 1919
United States	$1,000,000,000	$ 30,000,000,000
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France	5,000,000,000	35,000,000,000
Russia	6,000,000,000	22,000,000,000
Italy	3,000,000,000	15,000,000,000
Entente Nations	$18,000,000,000	$100,000,000,000
German Empire and States	$ 5,000,000,000	$ 40,000,000,000
Austria-Hungary	6,000,000,000	34,000,000,000
Teutonic Nations	$ 11,000,000,000	$ 74,000,000,000
Gross Debt, All	$27,000,000,000	$174,000,000,000

Vast as the above figures are the debt obligations of the nation will not end even here says the Commercial and Financial Chronicle commenting on a recent issue on these figures.

A gross total of 194 billion dollars for the countries given, an knowledge only the war indebtedness as added to the indebtedness of 1914. It makes no allowance for obligations to be incurred for further military purposes for the demobilizing of armies, and for pensioning them. Nor does it allow for the restoration and replenishment expenditures that will impose upon the nations the duty to incur further loans. There will be beside the expense of demobilizing the armies, the work of rebuilding and restoring of housing on an unparalleled scale and of readmaking. There will be the imperative need of agricultural development, shipbuilding and the improvement of transportation to say nothing of schemes of economic and social reform that are regarded as absolutely essential to future national efficiency

The bank concludes with a few pheening thoughts on the ability of the world to wipe out its debts of business development along sound lines.

The outstanding factor of the whole matter in the future will often all, lie not so much in the bulk of indebtedness as in the productive power of the people who support the indebtedness. Depending upon the wealth production of the people the support of war debts will be governed accordingly and debts will be wiped out not by any repudiation or non-scription, but by surmounting industry, trade, commerce and economic activity of every kind

Grinding the Danes

How Germany Tried to Prussianize the Conquered Slesvy

UNDER the terms of the Peace Treaty the people of Slesvig Holstein will have an opportunity to decide whether they will stay under German rule or go back to Denmark. There may be some doubt as to the decision of the Holsteiners, who are largely German; but the decision of Slesvig is beyond any question. Slesvig has always remained Danish in heart despite the guns and thoroughly Prussian methods of stamping out the spirit of the people. According to Kaal Lassen in *The Nation* the Germans tried to Prussianize Slesvig but failed completely. Of their methods, he writes:

Foremost was the effort to suppress the Danish language. War was waged on it in the press and the church in meetings and associations, through the courts and the administration and most of all the common schools. In fact, the common schools soon became the chief tool of Germanization. Next to reason, this amount of instruction in German was required, then Gammon was made the vehicle of instruction in many rises and finally Danish was almost completely forced out of the schools. Nothing remained but a few hundred of special religious instruction in the mother tongue. Sometimes even this instruction was given at a time when the school children were on the playground, on account of it some children of Danish children were intimidated by abusive language. There were many other examples of petty persecution of school children. They were punished for speaking Danish on the playground, and were forced to sing hated songs such as "am a Prussian Lad." Not content with this Prussian officials forbade all private instruct on in the Danish language and made every effort to hinder parents from sending their children to schools in Denmark.

Reopened, the Danes complained of three regulations and called attention to the disastrous effect on the schools as a whole. In vain they made the modest request that two hours a week be allowed for instruction in the Danish language. Most of all they hated the political purpose back of the language regulations. "I see in this arrangement of the school system," said Lassen in the Rathhaus, "a war on Danish nationality as such. I see in it efforts directed to the uprooting of Danism as quickly and as thoroughly as possible. But our nationality we neither can nor will ever relinquish."

When appeals failed, the Slesvigers organized to preserve their mother tongue. When Danish was driven out of the public schools they organized private schools; when these were closed they sent their children to Denmark to school that too was prohibited, and resorting to the methods of any primitive people they employed itinerant school masters. Finally Danish instruction in the homes was also forbidden, and still the children learned to use the beloved speech. The Association for Promoting the Danish Language in active in establishing Danish libraries and distributing Danish books, and as a result the young Slesvigers speak excellent Danish.

In the church the first step was to put in pastors whose Danish was so wretched that the whole service became a farce. Later German services were introduced as rapidly as possible. Many were the complaints of the pastors who had to preach German sermons to empty pews. Thus one pastor found on a Sunday an audience of our servant girl and she understood no German. Danish children were intimidated by abusive language. There were many other examples of petty persecution of school children. They were punished for speaking Danish on the playground, and were forced to sing hated songs such as "am a Prussian Lad." Not content with this Prussian officials forbade all private instruct on in the Danish language and made every effort to hinder parents from sending their children to schools in Denmark.



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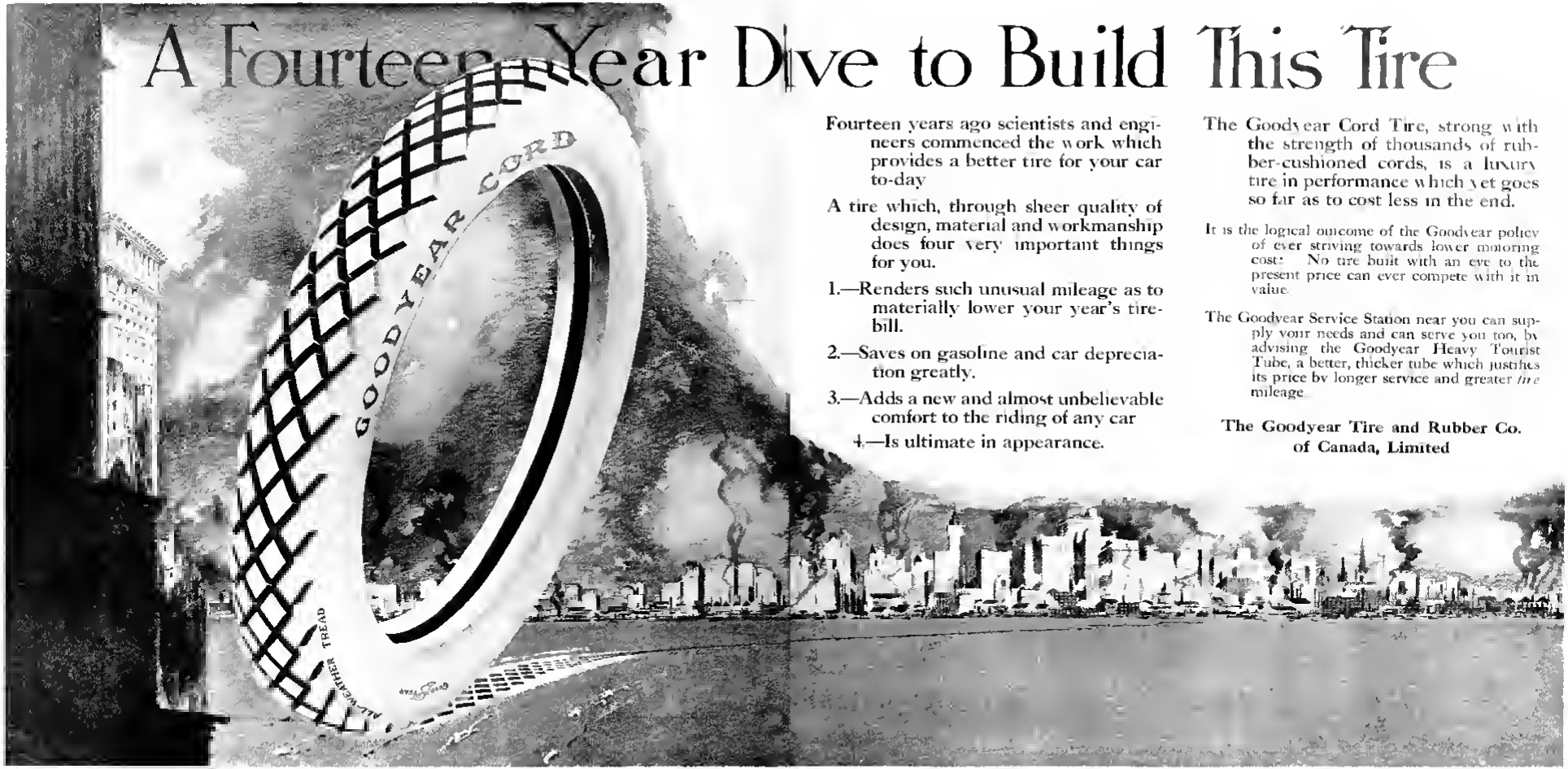
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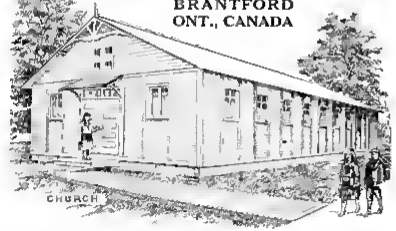
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housed on the burial ground when members of the free congregations are laid at rest, and permission to have some sort burial ground was denied.

The establishment of German as the sole official language and its exclusive use in the lower courts and the local assemblies also caused many annoyance to the Danish population. Often competent interpreters were not provided and many a North Slesviger suffered when his only offence was his inability to use the Goestun language. Bills written in a non German language were not collectible. In no case were methods of the Prussian gendarmerie and other officials more high handed and unbearable than in their intercourse of Danish meetings and speech-makers. Countless instances of the flagrant abuse of the new power in this respect occurred. Of late years the many "Furreverein" have been special objects of persecution.

But nothing roused the police to action quite so quickly as the singing of Danish songs. According to an order now fifty years old, Danish songs that might stir up opposition to Prussia were forbidden and the decision in individual cases was left entirely to the discretion of the police. Therefore no Scandinavian song was secure from the wrath of the gendarmes. At the interruption of Danish gatherings became a veritable obsession with them, songs that had been permitted for the last thirty or forty years were suddenly classed as dangerous. Fines and imprisonment were rapidly imposed for the singing of old Danish folk songs, student songs and even religious songs—all of them most innocent and void of political significance. The Danes begged for a list of the tabooed songs, but as usual the Government was unwilling to limit the power of the police. As the war approached the regulations controlling meetings were enforced with greater and greater stringency. Among the many instances the best known is that Roald Amundsen was forbidden to lecture in his own language on his discovery of the South Pole because—and this was the only official reason given—the Norwegian language resembles the Danish too closely.

The determined efforts of Germany to merge this patriotic small people into an all pervading Germanism furnishes an eloquent example of the stupidity of any attempt to attain uniformity by force. The persecuted people have developed a virile national consciousness and the feeling of martyrdom. Their rather indifferent adherence of half a century ago to the Danish language and institutions has been transformed into an ardent love for their mother tongue and a determined resistance to Germanization.

The Human Side of Ferdinand

Ex-tsar of Bulgaria Had Some Unusual Personal Traits

THE world has accepted a very low estimate of Ferdinand the ex Czar of Bulgaria. He is called 'the Fox of the Balkans' and is generally depicted as thoroughly unscrupulous cunning and debased. His record proves all that but it seems that, after all, he has some humanly decent traits. A young Frenchman, Frank Schoell, accepted a position as a private secretary to Ferdinand in 1910 which was just shortly after Ferdinand had boldly announced the complete independence of Bulgaria and his own assumption of the title of Tsar. Schoell now is publishing in the *Atlantic Monthly* a series of articles based on his diary and he depicts Ferdinand as a man intensely interested in all things mechanical, a good father and a possessor of some rather unusual traits. The young princes do not oppose as favorably as the father—they are selfish and snobbish young puppies, with most of the faults that are usually attributed to those born in the purple.

Space allows for only a few extracts from the diary:

Theenpen he took me into a small adjoining salon and went in quest of the Tsar, who made his appearance a few minutes later walking with a heavy step. When one is king and half a Rothschild one is entitled to have the gout heritage.

Simply, with a very charming smile, he gave me his hand which is slender and heavily bejewelled, asking me abruptly 'So you are a Frenchman, and I presume a republican are willing to enter the service of a king who, by ambition and profession, can be nothing of the sort. Are you not ashamed to associate with me?'

I replied that I did not feel ashamed that my conscience would, without apprehension, adapt itself to my temporary employment, and that I was not an anarchist. A few minutes conversation which was briefly a profession of friendship and high esteem for M. Lazar and one in which we came to an end with a 'Till we meet at Brussels' from Ferdinand.

The touch is Ferdinand seems gifted with an extraordinary memory. He furnished new and striking proofs of this in the pavilion of the jewelers of rue de la Paix. Precious stones seem to have no secrets for him. He knows all the methods of cutting every variety of gem, all the details of the process of setting, as if he were a professional jeweler, and the surprise shown by all the experts, who cried with each other in buying before him their most beautiful pieces, reached its climax when he exclaimed with a sigh, "Ah, were I not a king, I should be a jeweler!"

His endurance is extraordinary. Despite the difficulty which walking, or even standing, causes him, he stopped long before each show case and drove to each exhibitor the impression that, were his time his own, he would stop even longer. How many times a day he flatters somebody's self-esteem! And how cleverly he puts in practice the maxims of La Rochefoucauld!

Tuesday, July 12.—I accompanied the Tsar to Antwerp. We traveled in the beautiful car which brought Ferdinand from Sofia to Paris. During the journey His Majesty had me send to him in the saloon articles from Belgian and German newspapers, interrupting me from time to time to point out, now the cathedral of Malines, rising from the heart of the old city, and again the first fortresses of the fortified camp at Antwerp, with which he seems to be very well acquainted.

We had hardly arrived when we made a sport for the zoological garden—literally a sport, for Ferdinand exercises the agility of youth when it comes to visiting a zoo. We spent at least two hours with the animals. His Majesty is a terror for exact ethnological knowledge; he knows the Latin name of every species without looking at the signs, and never makes a mistake as to their habitat.

Dined to-night with the princes. Their idea of politeness differs from mine, being probably well aware that I know absolutely no Bulgarian, they talked nothing but Bulgarian during the whole meal to Welch, an Austrian of the suite, when they might easily have spoken French or German. Their father would have acted differently.

Vienna, Wednesday, July 27.—I traveled alone from Paris to Vienna. Ferdinand had excused me from traveling aside with him to Coburg, where he went with his sons to celebrate some anniversary or other. M. de Beauchamp had sneered me of Ferdinand's cult for anniversaries. Every day he turns over the records of his own life and of those of his parents and kindred. There is not a day in the year when something sad or merry has not happened—birth, baptism, betrothal, marriage, accession



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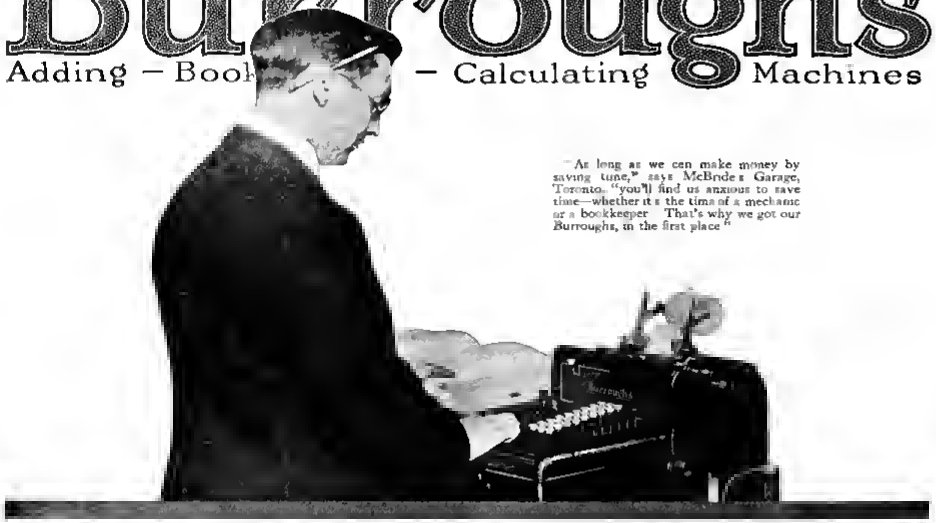
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Saturday, July 30.—I have discovered a new quality in Ferdinand, he is the best of teachers for his notes. He knows how to interest without over-driving them. He instructs them almost without their knowing it. It surely will not be his fault if they grow up dunces for he takes infinite pains to explain everything he shows them. Moreover, the princes are just as good pupils as there fathers to e teachers.

Arctic Versus Tropical Travel

A Comparison of Hardships and the Results Obtained

WHY is it that the world lends so rapt an attention to the exploits of the arctic explorers and heats as little of the work of the men who break new ground through the tropics? Such is the point of Theodore De Booy in the *Scientific Monthly*. He contends that the tropical explorer has infinitely greater hardships to contend with and moreover achieves results of infinitely greater value. It must be confessed that there is a great deal of truth in what he says and that on the face of things there is no reason why the work of the arctic traveler should have been glorified beyond the work of the brave and audacious men who have plunged into the jungle's fastnesses.

The comparison that the writer gives, while somewhat biased, is worth consideration:

Does not the jungle provide all that is necessary towards a happy existence? Else why the headhunt and the bensos? And does not the coco palm provide the material for the building of houses, the making of hats, the manufacture of mats and clothing and at the same time provide food in varied form? The tropical explorer asks for funds only in order to spend more time in the hotel veranda and, more in the bush, seeds except beyond the abundant resources of nature. As a result with but few exceptions the tropical expedition is all too sparingly furnished with funds. Why trouble with clothing? The natives dispense with it. Why carry instruments or medicines? The tropical climate makes the latter unnecessary and, as for the instruments, why trouble to take observations when per se the tropical explorer is discredited before even leaving his native shores?

And now let us see what happens when the field of exploration is actually reached. I am not gentle of a spunk of arctic conditions from personal experience, but my readers in arctic literature will agree with me that the situation as I shall show it is more or less in accord with general experiences. As a parallel I shall show what the tropical explorer lets or sees or ve the reader to decide upon the verdict.

The arctic explorer leaves his base. He is generally accompanied by a goodly party which makes travelling all the jollier. The provisions he they acquire or he they want are packed on sleds drawn by trusty dogs. Generally the trusty dogs are fun trucking as they eat infrequently wind up their useful careers as more shunent for the explorers. For lessons the making of hats, the manufacture of mats and clothing and at the same time provide food in varied form? The tropical explorer asks for funds only in order to spend more time in the hotel veranda and, more in the bush, seeds except beyond the abundant resources of nature. As a result with but few exceptions the tropical expedition is all too sparingly furnished with funds. Why trouble with clothing? The natives dispense with it. Why carry instruments or medicines? The tropical climate makes the latter unnecessary and, as for the instruments, why trouble to take observations when per se the tropical explorer is discredited before even leaving his native shores?

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to visit the region. It is cold, but the special clothes that are worn go for a words all-wintacy the hardship. Camp is made at night after covering perhaps as much as twenty or more miles a satisfactory day's progress. No time is lost in getting up the small tents and in preparing the food with liquid fuel. Outside of the relief one is quite content.

The tropical explorer leaves his base. He usually travels alone or at the best with but one companion. No matter who the chief of the party is he will usually quarrel with his associates before the expedition has progressed very far. This is due not to a mean streak in his make-up but to the irritating effect of the climate and the mosquitoes. None but two saints—and these are scarce upon the earth—would regard a hundred miles through the tropical bush without having at least one violent quarrel. Or having the base returned previously to be taken along. The tropical forest is not nearly so generous with its gifts as are bears mentioned. The provisions that are taken weigh a great deal and have to be transported on the backs of the travelers. One is lucky to obtain sufficient carriers. Generally the demand is for greater than the supply, so that in the end, the amount of food that goes with the explorers is pitifully small. However the tropical explorer is by nature optimistic and generally risks the chance of being unable to obtain game during his stay in the jungle. Of the food carried at least fifty per cent. will spoil on the trip. This is mostly due to the intense humidity that is experienced. The daily progress made depends entirely upon the nature of the country. Sometimes it is as much as ten miles per day and often it is as little as four miles per day. Under the most unfavorable circumstances it means slow, laborious cutting through the dense undergrowth which is fatiguing and taxing on the nerves. The thorns, with which so many bushes are plentifully endowed, do not fail to exact a bloody toll from the explorer. The thousand and one insect varieties lose no time to apply for their quota of the traveler's blood. Again, hostile Indians may be met with, and these may carry out what the insects failed to do and put a final step to progress in the desired direction. It is at last decided to make camp at eight. Some leaves are cut and a temporary shelter is hastily erected. The more healthy this is done, the surer it is to rain that very night. By dusk one begins to consider cooking a meal. Despite all the fallen giants of the forest, there is nothing harder to find than dry firewood in the tropics. At last a semidreing fire with much smoke has been created. Just about then the mosquito attacks have spread the news to their far-off brethren that a newcomer is in the forest.

The arctic explorer travels on. One day's progress is not much different from another. Sometimes it snows and sometimes it is clear. Always he can see the coast ahead. His provisions get low after a while but he is still able to press on with compassatively little fatigue. At last the goal is fairly near. If it is reached and he returns in safety, a new discovery is hailed by press and public. If he fails the return voyage provides him with ample leisure to explain in genteuely wheels the failure lay and how it was caused. The return of the arctic explorer is hailed with joy and he has even less difficulty than before in obtaining funds for a new expedition. Should failure mean death, his widow is feted, honored and made to publish reminiscences of her husband. As for the lonely sleeps upon the ice floe, it is generally discovered in later years.

The tropical explorer travels on. There is a startling variety in the experiences of each day. Sometimes he travels through the dense undergrowth combating with nature at every step, rattles down the very effective batteries of jungle which seem to defy his attempts at exploring the mysteries that lie beyond. Again the trail leads over fascinating mountains. On the summits of these a cold fog vapor encompasses any cold suffered in the arctic. The explorer lacks all means to protect himself against these climatic changes. After a while he strikes a swampy region where the dreaded miasma reigns the landscape with a mantle of death. Wild animals, wild Indians and wilder insects conspire against the traveler's happiness and peace of mind. Provisions get low. The tortured explorer racked by fever, covered with insect bites and sores, refreshed from lack of food, continues only because he knows that he is unable to his goal due to his base. And does he reach his goal? The few that have of his success must needs consult a map to learn of his achievement. His friends regard his claims to recognition with scant concern, and are too much inclined to dwell upon the delights of the tropics to take the narrative of his hardships seriously. The explorer in forgotten before he was ever remembered. He is forced to return to his tropics where he sees at least does not belittle his attempts at solving the mysteries of the Beyond, but appears to feel that the great obstacles the places to his way serve but to heighten his achievement. And if the explorer fails to reach his goal? It would not be well to dwell upon the nature of his death. May he some kindly Indian arrow made it short. May he be lingered long deserted by his careless, lectured by insects, with fever virtues that accentuated his agony, helpless to proceed, helpless even to do more than wish for a speedy ending. So have the tropics taken toll century after century.

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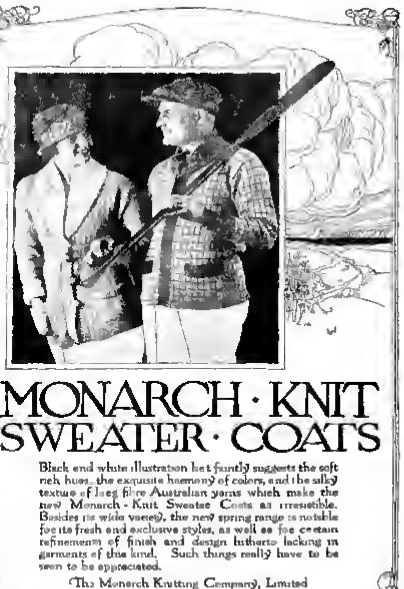


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A New Country Created as a Result of the Great War

Small Mohammedan State Becomes a Kingdom

IN looking over the names of the countries allied against Germany, when the Peace terms are presented, the average reader probably met two or three at least with which he was not very familiar. The "Kingdom of the Hejaz" has but recently received headlines in the papers—but it had as many representatives at the Peace Conferences as Canada. In the *Independent* Lewis R. Gannett writes interestingly of the romance of the country and of its Anglo Arabian Major-General.

After the principal Allies had been allotted their quotas at the Peace Conference, there was a belated announcement that the Kingdom of the Hejaz would be given two seats. That little Arab kingdom recognized by France and England as a belligerent Ally in 1916, had been left out, but Faisal third son of the King of the Hejaz (or as the King prefers to be called, Sherif of Mecca) and a young English colonel named Lawrence who had been adopted into the family of the descendants of the prophet Mohammed and was a major general in Faisal's army, made a few spirited remarks about the share of the Arab army in the liberation of Syria and the feelings which those Arabs might entertain if excluded from the Peace Conferences; and the Kingdom of Hejaz secured its two seats.

The Hejaz itself is a small strip on the west coast of Arabia. It includes the holy cities of Medina and Mecca, and its outlet is the Sherif of Mecca, descendant of the Prophet himself, head of a family with a venerable history of nine hundred years' occupation of the holy cities. Hussein the Sherif was Governor under the Turks; his sons were brought up in exile at Constantinople. Even before the war Arab secret societies had been working towards independence; the Sherif's second son, Abdul had been active in one of these societies in Mesopotamia; the Turks, on entering the war discovered records of others in Syria and hanged some hundreds of their chiefs deporting thousands more to Asia Minor. (Arabic speak one language from the Euphrates to the mountains east from Suez to the mountains of Asia Minor. To the Arab Syria is simply a region where Arabs, a few of whom are Christians, live more settled industrial lives. There is no word for "Syria" in the Arab tongue.)

Late in 1913 the Sherif of Mecca sent a letter to the Governor of Egypt stating that he wanted to revolt against the Turks, but that without arms and supplies it was impossible. So, in the Sherif took Abdul the poet of Mecca in January, 1916. British guns and ammunition and food met him there in charge of a group of British officers. Among them was Lawrence, a young man who had spent some years steeping about the Near East, digging up Hittite cuies, studying the military architecture of the Crusaders, even on occasion doing engineering work on the Baghdad railway, and in the course of it all learning Arabic and a great deal about the Arabs. He is a blue-eyed, fair-haired man still in his twenties, who, when week-table He volumes of Samuel Butler and Joseph Conrad, Ephetine Wordsworth, and Walter de la Mare; but he is the romantic hero of the Arab rebellion.

Slowly the revolt spread, moving northward along the coast. Mecca was taken, Medina remained in the hands of a Turkish garrison because the Turks stored Mohammed's tomb with explosives and made known their intention of destroying it in case the town was attacked; thus effectively protecting it. Modern troops, in the form of the Hejaz was free from Turks (except for Medina, which did not surrender until after the armistice). In July, 1917, Akaba, on the shoulder of the Sinai peninsula, was taken and a junction effected with General Allenby's army from Egypt. As the Arab army moved on, its constitution changed. Bedouins do not like to wander far from their home deserts and oases, as new districts were liberated, the southern troops drifted homeward and more northern tribes came under Faisal's flag. With them went the Sherif Lawrence, clad as an Arab, speaking the Arab tongue, as of three of both British and Arab armies. Wherever the army went, all the way from Jerusalem to Damascus, local Arabs rose and drove out the Turks, so that the Syrians have reason to feel that they shared in their own liberation, and have no need of it. The British War Office invested £10,000,000 in the venture and found it well spent.

Faisal son of the Cherif of Mecca and King of the Hejaz, represents his fathers Kingdom at the Peace Conference. In this capacity he asks only that the Great Powers aid him to collect the stolen treasures belonging to the Hejaz, which are now somewhere in Turkey and then leave the Hejaz alone. But he also represents a belligerent army of Syrian Arabs. That is why the French at first opposed his presence at the Peace Conference for as representative of the army he stands in the way of the French claim to Syria. He too wants a united Syria, but he wants an independent Syria, placed merely temporarily under a mandatory of the League of Nations.

The United States is his preferred mandatory, partly because he realizes that British control would increase French jealousy and partly because he believes that the United States would be more disinterested. If the United States will not accept the mandate—the request has been made emphatically and the unofficial reply has intimated a refusal—the second choice is England. The last choice is France. Feisal, Faisal and declares he understands order in Algeria and made it materially prosperous, but Algeria under French control has not produced a native who can write good Arabic, or a single real Arabic scholar. "First-class chem French men" have been produced, not first-class Arabs. Faisal believes in Arabic culture. He wants railways and electrical power-stations and drainage and agricultural machinery and schools in Syria, but he wants a sympathetic examinatory by his side to see that the railways and the industrial developments are not used to hold down his fellow countrymen, and he wants the schools to be Arab schools, with a reverence and respect for a great tradition. Colonel Lawrence speaks with enthusiasm of modern Arabian poetry, which, he says, is untranslatable, of revolutionary songs which cannot be rendered into English because of their peculiarly Oriental beauty and their peculiar Oriental indecency, of a silkweaving art and glass-work which the Turks have even imitate, and of an Arabic adaptability which makes even the modern buildings of Aleppo, obviously built on Western models, somehow wholly Eastern and beautiful.

According to Colonel Lawrence, interpreting the thought of Faisal, Egypt and India have cost the British Empire nothing and the Soudan will ease pay, why would it not be possible to raise a loan for the infinitely more fertile Syria and guarantee it by the customs? In fifteen years, he believes Syria could stand on its own feet. In the meantime the assistance it needs should be disinterested and come from a nation responsible to the League of Nations rather than from one seeking a colonial empire.

When Eisner Was Shot

Journalist Tells How Landtag Heard the News

CONDITIONS in Munich during the revolutionary days of February when Kurt Eisner, the journalist who rose from obscurity to the head of the democratic Government in a few weeks, was murdered, are graphically described in the *Nation* by an American newspaperman. He was in Munich that day of the killing, and even had intruded into the Landtag press gallery the hour that Eisner's murder was announced to the Assembly. He writes first of his room by the "quietest street," and then tells how he heard the news.

"You will find," said my friend, "that the Baseler Hof is the quietest hotel in the quietest street in Munich—but it is very convenient." Just at this moment, as I sat in my room in the Baseler Hof, the machine guns in the quietest street in Munich are rumbling, and the cavalry of office is incessant. Here every time I have tried it someone calls "Head in, or I'll shoot"—and the head comes in. But I can see out of my window. The firing party is just beyond my vision but I can see the flashes. Civilians come running by, face cover. A street light shines right down upon a picturesque a group of reserve soldiery as ever a De Neerfville painted. The quietest street in Munich and not two hundred yards away men are being killed by their brothers!

The day began well. My impudence in asking Wolff in and demanding a seat in the journalists' gallery of the Landtag met its just reward. A representative of the American press at this historic hour is one of the first democratic Landtag in Bavaria—" Well really, wele Hese!" The cashier was just about to begin the journalists' box was already more than filled, when what papers had mein Herr with which to identify himself? "Here is my American passport and my Paris pass as a Peace Conference correspondent, here my visiting card." "But what is there to show that you are connected with the *Nation*?" I try to explain a rather intimate connection suddenly it is unnecessary. Something about the name on the passport attracts. "Is it possible that I am my father's son?" Yes, indeed. "Well then of course" he says "here is a ticket to the box and good luck. I used to live in the Pfalz in Paris where your father did."

The gentlemen in charge of the box are equally amazed. A colleague from America's "Well, he will even be more content with standing room. He was well content with standing-room and in a minute was at the journalists' box directly opposite the "tribune" or dais upon which the officials sat looking down upon the gathering representatives. The correspondent of the *Frankfurter Zeitung* kindly pointed out the various dignitaries. That Minister there on the right was a lackeman's apprentice only a little while ago. Timm, Minister of Education, on the left, is a tailor's son and was long a public school teacher. There is Auer, the Minister about whose head the storm is raging. He is the son of a sewing woman—and left school at eleven to be a headsmaid for eleven years. Yet there he sits, proud Bavaria. Then there is Roshhauptner, Minister of Military Affairs to whom the Independent Socialists and Bolshevists are as much opposed as to Auer; he is charged with having been too kind to the officers of the old army. Several people I met came up. "This is not that in Prussia," adds my coach "woman suffrage is hideously present-and-to old Bavaria. The there is Professor Quidde, the chief of the Bavarian pacifists, of whose efforts to stop the war you must have heard in Amerikes. Now they are all here except the President, Kurt Eisner."

A moment later a very young man as pale as a sheet walked quite feebly to the platform. "That," said the voice by my side, "is Fechenbach, Eisner's secretary. What is wrong? Something must have happened to Eisner." At that moment a soldier dashed into the press bullets box. "Kurt Eisner is murdered," he called in a voice that startled the whole house. "Kurt Eisner has been shot," and to prove it he held up the bloody eyeglasses of the Liberator of Bavaria.

I cannot exaggerate the shock to the Landtag. Everybody echoes out "Shame!" The galleries are more excited than the Landtag. Even the journalists join in "Aufpassen Aufpassen" they say. Then comes the news that the assassin is the young Count Arco-Valley. The temporary President calls the meeting to order, and in a cool calm voice announces the assassination of the President, and declares the meeting adjourned for an hour. Everybody goes out. The gravity of the situation is recognized at once. Eisner had intended to declare that morning as soon as the Landtag should be organized from the office he had held ever since leading the revolution in November. Now the hitherto hated Jew is cherished by the middle classes, the aristocracy, and the officials, big and little, and cerefully lauded by the capitalistic press had vented itself. That the murderer was a Count only made it worse. More than one declared that there would be bloodshed that night and that Schiffenin would come to Bayaria. "I pity the Anti Eisner press tonight," said one. "There will not be a chair left in the building of the *Miesnachner Anzeiger Zeitung*." You had better get away," declared my Frankfort friend to his wife, "things are likely to be bad here."

Just at the point my newspaper intelligence failed me. Remembering a noon engagement I went out to telephone that I could not keep it. But when I came back in five minutes the way was blockaded. Journalists' passes were no longer of any avail, as others besides myself learned. We were all discomfited. But a representative from Vienna thought we should miss nothing and went off advising me to follow. Indeed that night "Tonight blood will flow." I was left wondering what would happen next. Only two days ago, on my arrival in Munich I saw eight lists the attempt of six hundred soldiers to take the city by surprise in the interest of the counter revolution. Some of the fighting around the railway station. From what I witnessed at that time it was clear enough that four years of warfare had not been without its effect on even a coming all classes to the method of attaining their ends by violence; and saw with the keen eye of the people who drove by a member of the hated old ruling class, I could not help asking myself what was to be the result of this dreadful crime on the relations between Bavaria's rulers and her hungry and embittered population. What next in quiet Munich?

The answer came quickly enough. An officer dashed out of the Landtag eeyleyeet. Auer is assassinated. Auer is assassinated—dead Osel!" The news spread like wildfire. What happened my friend of the *Frankfurter Zeitung* described later. "You may thank your lucky stars that you were not there. The Landtag had hardly assembled again and listened to a couple of tributes to Eisner, before Auer, who was then a man willed e and fired point block at Auer. As officer dashed at him but was shot down. Then they began shooting from the gallery all over the hall. Osel was killed outright, and a clerk as well. Auer is not dead, but wounded. We journalists crawled out of that room on our hands and knees! I have since terrible things and witnessed two attempts to demonstrate things, but I never saw anything like the panic and terror and flight and the general promiscuous shooting. I myself could add a little to the tale for as I stood at the door there came out a man with staring eyes and pale face who gathered the soldiers at the door about him. I moved three to keep what he said. Quickly remarked as he saw me. "There's another chap we ought to get.' Two

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The news of Sirrer's death went through the city as if it had wings The effect was instantaneous No one need ed to be told that trouble was to come. The street cars stopped running the appearing as if by magic. Two re taurants or the main streets hastily closed and the shops one and all pulled down their heavy roll shutters. As I went out to lunch I met long processions of workmen—pale and gaunt rad lsas—no ver worked stanled and hungry looking as to move any heart. They had laid down their work and declared rimultaneously without consultation a three-day general strike. Tn every well-dressed man they cried out, 'We'll get square with the orirterrat who killed our Eleasn" In less than three hours the strige was all set for civil war. It was la the air

Proclamations came thick and fast fluat ure from the Council of Work mer Soldiers and Peasants declaring that the revultion was in danger and that o three day strike was ordered By ferr o'clock orreplanes were flying over the rity dropping proclamations bits of white paper proclelmird that everybody must be indoors by seven o'clock bits of bloodred paper darlored a state of siege anybody forrd rr the street after seven o'clock would be arrested Still another proclamation declared that anybody who stole or pilloged would be shot on sight. Troops were soon marching in every direction There were no leggerds ir getting home when seven o'clock came. By seven thirty there was firing urder our windows, and now they are at it again

Austria Will Become Third Rate Power

Peace Arrangements Will Cause an Immediate Decline

THE fate of Aurtria threatens to be the most dira of any of the belligerent countries. Unless the peace arrangements Austria is certain to shrink from a first-class power to third class poverty Its wealth will be torn from it and Vienna will in time dwindle to the rtatus of a provirrial town The reasons for this prospective decline are shown by a writer signing himself Politicus in *The Fortnightly* He says:

In consequence of the war the wealth of Vienna has disappeared The German Austrian landlords who derived their wealth from Polish Bohemian, and Hungarian estates will probably be expropriated by the Poles Czechs, and Magyars. The aruttocratic idlers of Vienna will have to turn to work The wealthy financiers, bankers, and investors of Vienna in whom the whole Empire was in debt, will be rumpelled to sell the bulk of their investments situated in non-German Austria, partly owing to the pressure which will be probably rxercised upon them by the non-German people who will decline to continue paying tribute to Vienna, partly owing to the ruin which the war will undoubtedly inflict upon them. The Czechs-Slovaks Poles, Serbians etc will create capitals of their own and will shun Vienna With the disappearance of the Corrt and the wealthy aristocrats the glamour of Vienna will go Vienna is such was the capital of a great empire will become the prirripal town of a small State of 6,000,000 inhabitants. It stands to reason that a little ratior of 6,000,000 people agrred maintain rr capital inhobited by 2,000,000 Vienra's luxury industries will decline and dunny Prague Buchqmrt Wirrung and Belgrade may put Vienna in the shade.

The Austro Germans will suffer through the war in a two fold manner Thrir income, which was principally derived from the non German dirtricts will be vastly reduced by the larr of these prirripal wealth creating resorrces. In addition they will be weighed down by the burder of the war-debt and of the indemnities whirh they will have to pay to the conrtrior which the Austrian armier have devastated. Dorirg the war the Governmrnt of the Dual Monarchy har raised an unumerour debt which was taken rr chiefly by the financiers, bankers, and wealthy investors of Vienna and Ende-Pesth The non German portions of the Austrian Empire will of crusse refuse to take over their share. Consequertly the 6,000,000 Arstro-Germans will have to assume a finanesal burden which world have been unbearably heavy to the 30,000,000 Inhabitants of the Austrian Empire The Aurtrian Government will therefore be compelled to repudiate the larger port or the whole of the national debt. The Austro-German bonkerr finanaiers and investorr will rrsrequently be ruined.

The new Austria will be an exceedingly small and poor rourtry German Austria will of rourse not be able to support a capital of 2,000,000 people Vienna will in courae of time become ar insignrrfiarnt provincial town with a rapidly declining population and house property should be exceedingly cheap. Having lost its agricultural mineral and indrrstrial resources and the bulk of its paper wealth German Austria may become one of the poorest smatrran in the world. Possibly its population will decline very quinkly. It is of course conceivable that misfortune should cause the Austrian people to pull themselves togethrr to make a new start. Agriculture and farestry in German Austria may be improved Lack of mal may cause the Aartte Germran to convrat thrir water-power into electricity New resources may be discovered in the mourtry However the greatest probability seems to be that Germar Austria will decline and decay for the population irahr energy ard enterprise The Austrian manufacturerr berkens and business men will probably go to Bohemia Poland and other countrur where conditiarr are more favrorable for the exercise of their abilitras and the Austrian workers will emigrate by the hundred thousand from their aruund rourtry to the more prosperous lands around them rad to countries overseas The position of Magyar Hungary is very similar to that of Germar Austria Budn Pesth may share the fate of Vienna Or the other hard the Magyars hovr rrd vantage over Austria in the possession rf the exceedingly fraitful Hungarirr plain, the productivity of whinh may be enormously ingreased.

If German Austria should unite with Germany Germany's population would be augmurted rot by 12,000,000 as often asserted but by only 6,000,000 and one that rumber may rapidly shm k if economic pressure and distress should lead to the reduction of the Austrian population A German Austrian majority may take place brt it need not l a lrasting ord permanent union It is rot unlikely however that the Germran and the Austrians will ucre to combine The amusement at an utterly impoverished and exhausted Austria might appeal to the Germans rather less than a year hence. Besides, the Austro Germans themselves may no larger wish to become citizens of Germany. Their desire to retain the German Federation was accordingly strorg so long ar the Germarr Empire enjoyed its great prestige At that time the Austro-Germans were anxious to be some members of the Stabh with wpr ngidly progressing unreasonably wealthy and powerful, reputed irrirrible and believed destined to achieve the dominion of the world. The glamur which arourrd the Imperial Germany has disappeared Aurtria har been disillrrioned by the war Many Austrirans see in the Germarr the cause of their downfall and of their sufferings, and they curse the day or which they went to war at the bidding of Berlin. During the course of the war the Germars have treated the Austrians not rr allies, but as underlings with deliberate insolance and contempt Vienna starved while Berlin feasted

Austrian admiration of the Germans may give way to resentment and to bitter hatred The Aurtre Germarrs may endeavor to forget that they were ever a great and conquering nation They will probably seek peace and rest, and they may strive to live their own life in humble and isolated arrignificance Possibly the Alpine pastures of Austria which incline toward Switzerland may try to find security in joining that country Vonarlberg may be the first province to undertake their step Others may think those are mistrikr who believe that the Austro-Germans desire to join the Germans of Germany with the object of combining to form a powerful union which was of revenge at the earliest opportunity Very possibly the great war has killed rot only to the dreadfell of Austria but to the final extinction It seems quite inconceivable that in a few decades the military an shunning populatiarr of Austria will have been absorbed by the surrounding Swiss Italian Czechs Magyars and Poles. Austria's military and economic strength ar that of Maurya Chandra was the wrrld from its rrlr grat nations. The war has knocked away the props on which both three States were erected, Ferdinand Austria is only a shadow of its former self. In a century the State which at one time dominated the world may be but a remembrance or it history may seem a romance or a fable to those who read it



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Double-dealings of Azev, Head of Russian Terrorists

THE amazing story of a Russian spy Evno Azev is told in *The Twentieth Century* by C. E. Bechhofer, and covers, perhaps, has a recital of such colossal duplicity been laid bare. Azev was at one time the acknowledged leader of the Terroists in Russia. He had placed and narrowly cut two of the most successful assassinations of the period and was recognized as the most dangerous man in anarchistic circles. And all the time he was a police spy.

The story of Azev as told as follows:

If the official world was startled, what is to be said of the Terrorists themselves, and these fellow revolutionaries? If Sir Douglas Haig had suddenly in the middle of the war been discovered to be in the pay of the Kaiser, the could not have created more incredulity at first, and horror and confusion afterwards, than did the unmasking of Azev among the Russian revolutionaries. The tried and trusted leader of the Socialist-Revolutionary Party, the slayer of Plehve and the Grand Duke Sergei, the initiator of a hundred other acts of terrorism and revolutionary propaganda, proved to be an agent provocateur! Thus, thus explained the panic-baffling needless, the secret and execution of its leaders, and heavy casualties, and the persistent failure of all their plans. And this was the explanation of Azev's almost fiendishness, the intrepid and almost revolutionary had preserved himself from the clutches of the police by the continued betrayal to them of his comrades. For no less than sixteen years had Azev carried on his career of duplicity—an unprecedented period in the history of *agents provocateurs*—and during half this time he had been the chief initiator of all the most daring actions of the Party. No wonder that the revolutionary movement in Russia felt that by his unmasking its whole basis had been torn across. No wonder ten that the outside world saw with amazement that the Czarc own paid agent had been immediately responsible for the death of the Czar's Home Minister and of the Czarc uncle. Azev was the Respectir of the revolutionary movement through him was to be seen the full degeneration of Russian political life under the old *regime*. But if Reepulin hastened the coming of the Revolution, Azev's treachery certainly delayed the natural course of events, the revolutionary movement was delayed until, as we have seen it at last came upon a Russia almost exhausted by two and a half years of war and blockade. Not a little of the misfortune that has overtaken the Free Russia must be set down to the activity of Azev.

Evno Azev was born in 1872 at Rostov-on-Don, the son of a poor Jewish tailor. In about his twenty-first year he became a reporoleo on the staff of a local paper and at the same time entered a business firm which shortly afterwards he left under suspicion of theft. He saw had sufficient money to go abroad, and in 1892 he went to Karlsruhe to study at its Polytechnical Institute, where he he listen moved to Darmstadt in order to qualify as an electrical engineer. He passed his examinations brilliantly at the latter place in 1897, and was in consequence able to obtain a post in an electrical company at Berlin and afterwards at Moscow and St. Petersburg. It is generally certain that after having lived in poverty the first four or five years abroad he suddenly became richer, he put down this change in his circumstances to the kindness of a distant uncle, as later appeared mythical benefactor, it is to be noted that in 1895 he had joined the revolutionary group which was later on to be the nucleus of the Socialist-Revolutionary Party, and thus his value to the police had increased. At first, as a new comer, he could not take an important part in the revolutionary work and the reputation he had brought from Darmstadt was not of the most savoury, however, we learn that he was energetic in encouraging revolutionary circles, collecting money and distributing illegal literature among the Russian students' colonies in Germany and Switzerland. By the end of the nineteenth he had already made himself widely known among the revolutionaries abroad as a capable person who was sympathetic with their aims, and on his return to Russia he opened communications to the active revolutionaries there. This was a crucial moment for the Russian revolutionary movement, the dawn of the new century was marked by the fusion of separate groups and the creation of a new and important organization, the Socialistic Revolutionary Party, which in opposition to the utterly scientific Marxism of the Social Democratic Party, was to include those revolutionaries who relied rather on their own efforts than on the fatalistic march of economic events to change the face of Russian society. The outlook of the Socialistic Revolutionary Party was summed up in its motto, "By battle thou shalt obtain thy rights." The chief weapon of the Party, at least in the eyes of its leaders, was the Terror, which had and terrible as it must seem to us, was nevertheless the only argument which had any effect upon the Russian autocracy. If bullets are also cowards, the old *regime* was no exception to the rule. The new party was founded early in 1902, by which time Azev had already succeeded in getting into close touch with some of the revolutionary leaders. Gerschuni the great Jewish leader of the Terroeists, became his intimate friend, and this friendship was one of the chief causes of Azev's rise to importance in the Party. A man who had Gerschuni's confidence could not fail be a revolutionary of the highest worth and ability. When the Party was formed Gnashuni gathered round himself a Fighting Organization of a dozen or so members, whose task was the actual carrying out of the Terror. In 1903 Geschuni, so much was he impressed by Azev's spirit and ability, appointed the latter, who was already a member of the Central Committee of the Party, to be his successor as head of the Fighting Organization, should death an unreal cut short his own career. And sure enough in the same year Gerschuni was arrested—though apparently not Azev, but a less prominent leforeme was responsible for this—and Azev, the police spy, took his place. The new leader of the Terroeists promptly went abroad to reconstitute the Fighting Organization and to prepare the assassination of Plehve, the brutal and reactionary Home Minister.

It is interesting to consider by what means Azev gained his lefineeses over each mee as Gerschuni. First, his success may be ascribed to his remarkable energy, where the vast majority of the members of the Party were cold, strong emotional men and women, Azev was a strong willed and impertinable man of action. Fincnerly, said one famous Revolutionary, Michael Gotz, "we had a romantic at one hand—that was Geeshuni; now we have a realist—Azev. He does not care to talk, he scarcely opens his lips but he carries out his intention with iron energy and no one can prevent him."

His very appearance proved how little doubt any one would be able to defeat him from his task. Two descriptions out of many may serve to show the first impression his appearance made upon people.

It was in the Autumn of 1908 (writes one) The door was thrown open before me and through it plunged Ivan Nikolevitch Azev!—an obese man with pendent lips like a negro's, and a dull sleepy-eyed face; he stood sideways to me and without looking at me I saw that he held out a puffy hand like a mee chanic's, he spoke with a kind of timbre, uneven voice.

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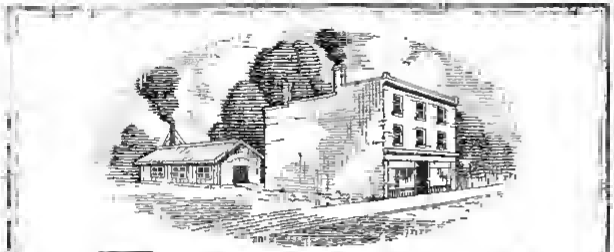
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I could find in Ivan Nicolayeh not the slightest trace of charm on which shakes his faith for his ideals. His stout, well-nourished, well-clad figure, short neck, and broad round face, with its very thick and sensual lips that nose and carefully cropped hair was of that international type of professional financier you can meet upon every Stock Exchange in Europe.

Dull and brutish in appearance, but a dissimulation and intrigues of the finest water, silent in words but virile in gists, imperturbable as a rule but at times distraught and hysterical, at home a certain husband and father, but in secret a shameless debauchee, one day successfully arranging the assassination of a Minister the next betraying a poor fool of his own to the gendarmerie, the ruler of the Terrorists and the slave of the Okhrana—Azeff was a violator and contemptuous and personality.

There is no mystery about Azeff's attitude throughout his career. He was neither a revolutionist who had sought to help the cause by entering the hostile camp of the police, nor an abhorrent of the old regime who had aimed himself with the revolutionaries in order to baffle their plots to naught. he was a self-centred intriguer whose only conscious aims were money and debauchery.

After his flight from Paris Azeff succeeded in shaking the Party dazed by the revelation of his treachery off his track. Rumors passed current about him, sometimes to the effect that he had been naught by the revolutionaries and had committed suicide sometimes that he was occupying a safe and well paid post in the Okhrana. In 1910, according to M Boerteeff, the Russian Embassy at Brussels sought to betray Azeff to the party, but he escaped. In August, 1912, he wrote to M Fourtseff and had an interview with him at Frankfort, he told him that his own aim as a Terrorist had been Tsarnicide and (as was indeed true) that he had almost succeeded in this At the outbreak of the War he is said to have been thrown into prison by Berlin by the German Government on a suspicious character What has since happened to this sinister personality is known to few, but it is supposed that he has for some time past been editing the Bolshevik newspapers which the German Government, past and present, has produced for the edification of the Russian prisoners in Germany

How Poland Was Saved

Wisest and Greatest Statesman General Buried Hatchet For Country's Good

PADEREWSKI—Pilsudski—Poland!

The story of these three P's—how Paderewski and Pilsudski sank their differences for the sake of another P—patriotism—is told by Dr Vernon Kellogg, Hoover's right-hand man in Belgian Relief Work in World's War.

Poland under Russia, Austria, and Germany was really no Poland; the Polish national spirit has always existed And there have always been Polish patriots, active in the measure possible to them, to feed forlorn hopes and secret enterprises against the oppressor It depended on where the patriot lived and his own personal experience of feeling whether the particular oppressor to be resisted was Russian, Austrian or German. It is fair to say that Austria has been general Polish belief that Austria was less oppressively the oppressor than either of the others But under all three Poles were not free men.

Josef Pilsudski always believed that Russia was the Great Oppressor, three is no doubt that she was the oppressor on the grandest scale for she had many more Poles under her control than had either Germany or Austria. Pilsudski believed that Russia was the greatest enemy of Poland—and acted on that belief. How he acted before the war name is not exactly public information; but I am assured that he acted. He might perhaps justly have been called a Nihilist, if by that name we mean a man not only willing but eager to kill a Czar on sight—and who is always trying in one way or another to get the sight.

But anyway Pilsudski's opportunity came with the war. He could fight in the open against Russia and he could get other Poles to fight with him. He organized the Polish legions of the Austrian army. Russia forced some Poles to fight in her armies; Germany did the same. But more Poles fought with the Austrians than with either of the other countries. And Pilsudski was their leader. It is more than probable that he saw with his eyes of patriot and nationalist, these Polish legions as the nucleus of the future Polish army which should fight any country, even Austria, for Polish freedom.

When the war ended it was only natural that the leader of the principal body of Polish soldiers, and the man who had always been the leader of Polish attempts against the German Oppressor, should become the first head of new Poland. So Pilsudski became Chief of State and Commander-in-Chief of the Polish army.

But Pilsudski was a Socialist, an extreme Socialist. And he gathered about him a Cabinet of Socialists—some of them also extreme Socialists. In his Cabinet of eighteen ministers—ten, including the Prime Minister, belonged to the Socialist and Peasants parties—or was a Radical, one was a Polish Progressive, one the Minister of Public Health a Conservative and five professed to no particular political affiliations and held themselves aloof from the Government's political programme. Incidentally these five included the ablest men in the Cabinet, while among the Socialist and Peasants party appointees were several notoriously incompetent—if not worse. It was not a strong Cabinet, not one fitted to inspire among the Allies much confidence in the stability and political character of the new Polish Government.

Pilsudski himself is a patriot, a good soldier, a man of much shrewdness and native capacity. Withal he has individual charm and quite an attractive personality. Despite a serious mien, plain face, and bristling reached hair he has a quick smile and eyes of such a kindly twinkling when one does lightness of speech that one leaves an audience with him with the impression of having had a pleasant conversation with a man of swift intelligence and a sense of humor.

But the Allies could not recognize the Pilsudski Government. Indeed, not even all of Poland did! Posen and Galicia held themselves apart; the Pilsudski Government was really only a Socialist Government of what had been Russian Poland. Yet Pilsudski himself was the logical choice for head of the Government. What to do? What really was done?

The thing of importance for new Poland that happened was the arrival of Paderewski the second P. The Polish National Committee seated in Paris, and the Club of Parties, the strongest national organization in new Poland, had already tried to come to some understanding with General Pilsudski as to the representation and form of organization which the new Government of a united and free Poland should have. A delegate from the Paris Committee came to Warsaw, held conferences with the leaders of the various parties and finally, at the end of December, presented to Pilsudski a project for the reorganization of the Cabinet. But nothing came of this. Matters rested until the thing of importance, the coming in December of Paderewski from America to Danzig, thence to Posen and finally to Warsaw, really happened. Then matters rapidly changed.

Now to have a full understanding of the situation produced by the coming of Paderewski, it is necessary first of all to forget that which most of us think of immediately and exclusively in connection with the name of Paderewski: that is, that it is the name of the first pianoplayer of his day and one of the great artists in music of all days and to recall that the man, the simple citizen who received in Posen a triumphal reception and as so usually reserved for crowned heads"—as a leading Berlin newspaper expressed it, in bitter surprise—had already revealed himself in America as a great patriot and a natural inspirer and leader of men. Paderewski had been the central figure in the important efforts made all through the war by the four million Poles in America to aid in all possible ways their countrymen in Poland. The sending of great sums of money for their relief and the organization and sending over of the Polish legions recruited in America to fight with the French Army was largely the results of Paderewski's inspiration and untiring efforts.

Paderewski came to Danzig on a British cruiser. With him was Colonel Wade head of the British Political Mission whose other two members were moving toward Poland by way of Switzerland. The shortest way from Danzig is not by way of Posen but for sufficient reasons Paderewski and Colonel Wade started for Warsaw by this slightly roundabout way. The result was the "triumphal entry" into Posen of the "simple citizen" so bitterly reframed to by the Tumaszek Zeitung.

There were more Poles than Germans in the city of Posen, and in most of the town and nearby districts of the province of Posen. They welcomed Paderewski, the Polish patriot from America not only by cheering him madly and following his carriage from station to hotel in great crowds but by rising as a freed people and taking control of the ancient land of theirs. Paderewski arrived in Posen on December 26th and in a week most of the new Kingdom of Poland was in Polish control. This was not accomplished by an invading army from Warsaw—but by the simple uprising of the scattered Poles in German Poland. By a consolidation of the various local committees a new Western line of new Poland was established which has been the seat of continuous fighting of more or less serious kind ever since—that is up to the date of this writing.

When Paderewski came on from Posen to Warsaw the open places and streets about the station could not hold the hundred thousand people who welcomed him. The wildly enthusiastic crowd escorted along the street all the way to the hotel. And not only for that day of arrival but for all the rest of the few days before he went on to Cracow, the welcoming continued. And in old Cracow former seat and now burial place of the Polish kings, with whom in the crypts of the castle church lie the remains of Poland's unforgotten Kosciusko, the welcoming of Poland's modern patriot went on and even more passionately and impressively than soon. And all this welcoming of Paderewski which General Pilsudski did not see or hear, be promptly heard about.

When Paderewski returned to Warsaw he began a series of conversations with the Socialist Chief of State which had for principal subject the pressing necessity of a reorganization of the Government to the end not only of creating a better internal political situation but also of obtaining the confidence of the outside world, in particular of the Allies and America, so that Poland could obtain the financial recognition which was essential to the extending of aid to her starving people then existing and to her threatened Bolshevik and Germans.

Another thing that was attracting the attention of the public during this right on ten days following the fourth of January was the presence of the British Military Mission. Some of the members of the mission were in the uniform of officers of the American Army. That was interesting in itself. The mission was holding daily conferences with the Government ministers and officials especially concerned with the reinforcement of Poland. The newspapers were reporting these conferences in much detail and the ministers themselves were reporting them in more detail and more authoritatively to the Chief of State



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And all during the week of the soup and food negotiations Paderewski was talking with Pilsudski. The second F was telling the first F that for the sake of the third F, new Poland, the Government had to be reorganized. At the same time Paderewski openly disavowed and disapproved of all illegal and violent attempts to overthrow the existing Socialist Government. In one of the most eloquent and effective speeches I have ever heard, he nailed on the people of Poland to hold closely together, to work for the common good and to use no violent measures for the sake of gaining a truly representative Government. The speech was made on the occasion of the bestowal on him of honorary citizenship in Warsaw and he was in a audience strongly opposed to the Pilsudski Government. The audience did not like the speech at first, but it had to like it before it ended. It was the call of pure patriotism to the national spirit. It was above politics and for that reason it was the best of politics.

Paderewski proposed to Pilsudski that a National Commission be appointed to consist of twenty-five representatives from Posen, twenty-five from Galicia, and fifty from Russian Poland. Twenty-five of these from Russian Poland were to be Socialists, the other twenty-five to represent all the other parties. Pilsudski was first inclined to accept this, but later refused. He made a counter proposition that Paderewski should form a new Government. Paderewski refused. He was not going to be put into the position of seizing the Government or of having it handed him by the existing Government. Pilsudski then suggested doing nothing until the general elections set for the end of January should be held.

But this meant delay, and every day now was precious in new Poland. Paderewski urged the dangers of procrastination. Pilsudski himself is a patriot, he loves his country and his people. He saw the importance of a united front before the world. He knew that his Cabinet was not only non-representative but weak. To make the story short the two Fs came to agreement for the sake of the third F, and the Coalition Government as it exists to-day, and as it has been reorganized to-day by America and the Allies, was formed.

It is a Government not only Coalition as to politics but representative as regards the three parts of Poland. Posen, Galicia and old Russian Poland. And the ministers have been chosen each for special competency for the portfolio he holds. It is probably as fairly representative and as personally efficient a Government as Poland can produce. And it is the result of the statecraft and diplomacy of the greatest piano player in the world—whom we must forget as a piano player and remember as a statesman as master and a patriot—and the good sense and shrewdness and patriotism of a our time Nihilist and present extreme socialist.

Why Did We Let Trotzky Go?

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every consideration—issued when it was known at Ottawa who Trotzky was. Even after he went through the form of the Brest-Litovsk Treaty, which took Russia out of the war, orders were given to Colonel Chambers, the Chief Censor, to forbid any but complimentary references in the Canadian Press to Trotzky and Lenine.

Notwithstanding all the statements to the contrary in the Toronto Trotzky press the Censor but once blue-pencilled a word, a line, or an article of the many published in those columns and part of that was because it dealt unfavorably with Trotzky.

Trotzky agents here are appealing to the baser elements by showing the rich plums to be had by revolutionary methods. In scores of meetings across the continent audiences are being told that they the proletariat, should rise and seize anything they want. As they have little they will lose nothing in the attempt. Stories of the big, fat volunteas opportunities that have come to their associates in Russia have been brought back to America and have stirred the blood of the envious, until to-day over 10,000 organizers are at work urging Trotzky Revolution.

On the date set the people of the United States and Canada will they expect, awaken in the morning to find all their presidents in the hand of members of the Revolutionary League—the homes the shops the factories the farms the banks, the women. The old foreman superintendent managers are to be removed and the organizers are to take their place and they must be implicitly obeyed. W. B. Wilson a miner, for many years general secretary of the Miners' Trade Union of America, and now head of the Labor Bureau at Washington in a recent speech to a gathering of wage workers in New York said:

"The Bolshevik leaders consider only themselves. Their only purpose is to rule as the czars and emperors of Europe have done. They even go further than that for they propose to set up an obligatory and compulsory form of living. Men are not to be allowed to leave their jobs under certain conditions, even if they want to."

New York and Toronto are the chief Trotzky headquarters. One investigator a Trade Unionist, who is fighting them strongly told me they are using as much paper in one week in New York for dissemination of their literature as the leading daily in Canada uses in six months. At their depots a continuous stream, young persons chiefly, is passing in to purchase the literature a set of which costs $7 to $10. In the States they had arranged to inaugurate the Revolution in Seattle but the prompt action of Mayor Olsen stopped them. In New York a manifesto from Mayor Hylan checked their order and made the leaders think. Now the word is going from group to group that July 4 has been set for the Revolution in the States.

The Trotzky power showed in another development in Ottawa. The persistent propaganda campaign carried on by his agents through his groups in Canada to hamper our war efforts and bring on labor, returned soldiers and similar troubles in Canada was exposed by our own Intelligence Departments and U.S. affairs also were continually finding their way leading to Canada quite as much as to Mexico. Things became so bad that the Dominion Cabinet appointed C. H. Cahan, K.C., to take over the whole problem from our Department of Justice. In a short time he uncovered such a serious state of affairs that once more the Trotzky influences got busy and Mr. Cahan was ordered to cease his inquiries and send in his resignation.

In thus exposing Trotzky and his influential friends in this country I am expressing no opinion as to the aims of the Russian masses who rebelled against conditions. On the other hand, I from reason with all wrath while Canadians were in general sympathy with them. As a matter of fact, Lenine and Trotzky had nothing whatever to do with the Russian Revolution. They neither inspired nor made it. When the Revolution was complete and the country was being reorganized to continue the war in conjunction with the Allies, these two men forced themselves on the Governing



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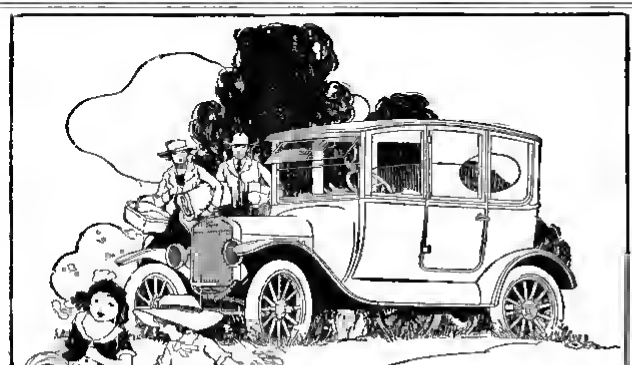
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Committee and backed by ample money and aided by other German agents seized control. Nearly all of these agents were passed back to Russia via Canada. They were quickly placed in all the big strategic appointments. One group, who sailed on a C.P.R. steamer from Vancouver had with them a large printing outfit. They confided to the sailors that the plant was to be used for painting Trotzky literature, and the entire outfit was soon after at the bottom of the Pacific. The sailors belonged to the British Union.

There was nothing new about the Trotzky gang in Russia. It is the old steam roller method. It has been done hundreds of times in Canadian politics—the mixing of organizations and party conventions by the ward heelers to thwart the wishes of the people. But in all history there never was such a brilliant coup—the complete submission of a nation of 200,000,000 to two recently arrived enemy strangers. It was the cleverest of all the clever things the Germans did in the war. Though as they look back on events, the Germans whose greatest sufferings were since then must now curse Trotzky as we do.

Trotzky at all his earlier gatherings in Russia was well known as a German. He never denied it. He was openly accused of being a German agent and spy. But he possesses such a marvellous capacity to control a mob that he quelled all opposition. Men who came to shoot remained to support him, which reminds one of Bourassa. The late Hon. J. I. Tarte, who himself well understood the platform art and the management of men told me Mr. Bourassa was such a clever orator that he sometimes made him believe right was wrong.

The British Foreign Office was warned long in advance but, anyone who knows ward politics in Canada or in the States knows how useless. It not dangerous one et sun dignified intellectuals, with the added gift of brilliant oratory, would be in handling questions when the opinions of the masses is ascertained.

There is genuine unrest in Canada, as elsewhere, but it is a legitimate dissatisfaction, which will lead to a better world. It was here before the war. But there is no country in the world was there less cause for discontent. The advantages and opportunities have nowhere been better. There is practically no hereditary wealth. The men of means, the men at the head of industries nearly all came from the farm or the poor workman's cottage. They got there because they had a little more strength or judgment, but mainly because they were willing to sacrifice many pleasures in their younger days, and to work longer hours than the less successful.

Trotzky's organizers are seeking to attract the unthinking masses of this dissatisfaction and through them to seize control of Canada, as another Russia as it is to-day. They have ample funds. Experienced Trade Unionists are having no easy task combatting the insidious propaganda. They are the most radical of them, know what Lenine and the Bolshevist leaders are. But are they getting the support they should from employers, from managers, from superintendents? They are not. Too many of the latter are of narrow vision who resent any change in economic relations in the past the trouble has been on the side of the Labor Unionist. He always regarded the employer as his natural enemy—a profiteer. He refused to interest himself in the institution from which he drew his living. Today he is demanding his share of the profits in his industry, more in the comforts of life, a voice in the control of the concern in which he is employed. Many of us welcome this development. It is what we have been wanting—the community spirit. Ignorance has kept employer and employee apart. The Unionist seen only his own section of work. Employers have not been successful in interesting him in their side—that is the business as a whole.

The first step is to recognize *bona fide* Trade Unions. Thirty five years experience confirms my support of them. There are some different ones with me here getting out this magazine. I have had many a fight with them—am likely to have more but that has never changed my support of organized Unionism.

What Future Wars Would be Like

Whole Cities, Even Nations Would Be Speedily Annihilated

A STRONG idea for the League of Nations is contained in the course of an article by Will Irwin in the *Saturday Evening Post*. His argument is along somewhat similar lines to that used a year ago by H. G. Wells, which was published first in MacLean's Magazine and later in Mr Wells book "In the Fourth Year." It is, in brief that men dare not go along in the old way that he cannot face the possibility of future wars because future wars would be sheer annihilation. Mr Irwin develops this thought at considerable length, showing just what the next war would be like.

In the war so happily perfected between ten and eleven million people including perhaps three-quarters of a million women—the Armenian massacres are included in this score—died by the sword. At least as many died of sickness engendered by the conditions of war. When the score is finished—alas, it is not finished yet—we shall find that still more than this have died from starvation.

Everyone appreciates that. But probably not everyone in America, which saw the war only with the eyes of others, appreciates what the next war may be—almost, I might say must be—provided we go on as we were going before 1914. Applied science has hitherto paid little attention toper fecting methods for killing human beings. But the laboratories have been at work for four years and they have done wonders. The chlorine gas cloud of Second Ypres was a rude affair compared to the gases used in the attacks of last summer. These gases are multiplied to the possibilities in the method. The problem of invisible instantaneously deadly gas was solved by at least two nations before the end of the war; in the campaign of 1918 had such occurred these gases would have been used in enormous quantity.

Aircraft bombing was working from uncertainty to certainty. Only to-day the newspapers record the testimony before our Senate Committee of John Hays Hammond, Jr. He declares that by his invention of wireless control a torpedo can be launched from an aeroplane scouting many miles away from a town and guided to the target within the certainty of a pilot planning a bomb. The offensive power of aircraft is at this moment immeasurably greater in the defensive against them. They have three dimensions in which to manoeuvre instead of two, and they work in the dark. The armament they now need has never been found. I am not so bold as to say, in this age of invention that it will not be found, but it looks as unlikely as anything in military science.

The Possibilities of Air Attacks

Let us stop for a moment and consider this point. In a new war between France and Germany the sudden destruction of Paris and the beginning of hostilities would just about win the war for Germany. The entire organization of the greatest railway system, the destruction of the offices of Government, finances and commerce, the financial panic—would so early and confuse mobilization that the French army would be easy prey. Mobilization aircraft fleets and torpedoes behind the Rhine would be no very difficult task as compared with that of mobilizing any army. From them the fleets could be shot to pieces, at present speeds, within two or three hours. An advanced squadron of skirmishers would then annihilate roads of France and Belgium with small unidentifiable phosphorus bombs to set the roads on fire and drive the main fleets right at their target. In fact the Germans when the armistice came were planning to use this method in their next on Paris. It is not at all unlikely that by the time ten the next war aircraft attack will be so perfected that a week of such raiding would finish off a city like Paris—or New York. Of course the old harbarous chivalrous rule that a city about to be bombarded must be notified in order that non-combatants may be removed went by the board long ago. Such notice would ruin the element of surprise which in hit the battle in such an attack. Besides, in modern warfare there are practically no noncombatants. In a new general European war the destruction at nearly all the great European cities with the wealth and beauty which they have been accumulating for two thousand years, stands well within the limits of possibility. In case of an armed peace such as Europe had for forty years before this war, men might have to exhibit their cities with the valuable "living" part underground.

However, these speculations deal with the perfection of these means of killing and of destruction already tested. There are other methods possible—methods which will make explosives look primitive. Though alchimere fictionists have imagined killing by rays nobody has never taken enough interest in destruction of life to find and apply the method. It holds great possibilities. Science has spent fifty years of research in studying the killing power of bacilli. It has never studied how to increase or to use that power. But now that whole populations, instead of mere armies have become the legitimate objects of killing it will not require doubtless will perfect that method. The destruction mind has raised certain practical objections, just as the conservative mind said that aircraft attack could not be made accurate and that the shells fall into Paris could not possibly come from a gun. But quite recently an authority on bacteriology announced to me the horrible possibility or ravaging a whole population in Europe and Asia also with swiftly killing incurable diseases, while guarding your own army and your own population. I believe that with a little patient research it could be done. And given the penultimate of war as an last failure come rush of Bernhardis in certain to arise which will justify this method—and use it.

Such, briefly are some possibilities of the future if the new warfare follows the method opened up by the struggle of 1914-18. In the long peace at Europe looks were written to prove that actual warfare was impossible because men would no longer face its horrors. We have learned now that men will face anything. This war answered to servoles of human courage whose existence we never suspected. Whatever horrors the new warfare may bring it will not fail because men and women are afraid. But what of armed peace?

If the Peace Conference should effect the settlement on old principles, leaving the structure of international society exactly where it was, all the nations of the world would have for a time to limit the race of armaments. They need the money for restoring the processes of life. But in five ten fifteen years—Europe would begin to grow strong from some quarter and again they would spend as munitions making increase the active enemies—mullply conscriptions.

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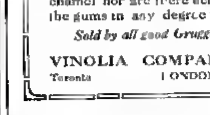
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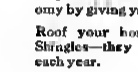
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became the kieg of battles. Even the Germans, who entered this war better prepared than the others had to multiply by ten or twenty times their equipment of heavy artillery. The British at the First Battle of Ypres had only one gue that could be listed in the catalogue of heavy artillery. By 1918 they had several thousand. Leaving the natives aside it became necessary to equip the armies with great quantities of machine guns of which even more than the equipment of an infantry battalion under the old warfare to which the rifle was king—tanks for example, and aeroplanes. When the world woke out of its backcountry and began to accumulate a margin the weapons piled up for this war will be out of date, just as the weapons of the Franco-Prussian war could not be used in the Boer War, nor those of the Boer War in this war. Some section or other will improve heavy artillery, the tank, the gas shell, the rest must follow. The civilian side of the argument against the militarist evil of the United States among the large ones was mainly due to the fact that they were out in the race for armaments. But now the pace will increase. Its tendency will be to increase to such a point that only the largest necessities of life will be left to the common people of Europe at least, and eventually perhaps of all the world.

This mind you is not the invention of a nightmare fictionist. It is a sober estimate of the future, based very largely on the evidence of hundreds of men who in civilian or military capacities have helped direct this war. The conclusion of course should be obvious to the single track but all dueing American mind. It has got to be stopped. Even if we are no longee willing to take a philanthropic interest in the affairs of Europe it has got to be stopped for our own interests. We are rich, we are tempting, we were next after France and England on Geemany's list. These modern devices are rendering distances as naught. The Atlantic is no longee one pesterition. If it is not stopped we must ourselves take up a hasdes of armament ands as even the last generation knew not, and when as probably will always happen defensive armament becames useless to prevent war, we must kill and be killed with an intensity and with an incidental slaughtee of the innocent which even the geest war of 1914-18 knew not.

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SIR ARTHUR CONAN DOYLE the authee and creatoe of Sherlock Holmes has been very much in the fuee front of late as a result of his conveesion to spiritualism. Sir Arthur has constituted himself a special advocate for the idea that the dead can speak to the living. He has written books and articles on the subject and in all writinge the light of a very clear conviction shines through. The belief of the authee of thrilling detective yarns is the possibility of communicating with those who have "passed over" is a genuine one, that much certainly can be said for it.

The attitude of the public toward spiritualism has not changed much in Canada though in Rately the losses sustained in the wae have caused a wide tendancy toward trying the idea. It is interesting however to read what the

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various distinguished advocates of spiritualism have to say and on intee view given by Sir Arthur to Hayden Church in the *Strand* is worth quoting from.

What is the nature of the Life Beyond as revealed by the supposedly spirit communications of the authenticity of which in the mass Sir Arthur believes so firmly?

Then, he says, he said "revelations are as it seems to me, all our conceptions of death. They teach that what St. Paul calls one spiritual body is the exact counterpart of one present one at its best, that the mind receives as it was before and that the Bishop of London expressed it very happily when he said that the man was the same five minutes after death as five minutes before except that the cloak of illness had passed.

"He is in a world which is very analogous to one own raised as it were, to a higher octave, and expressed in terms of other asthee than in dense matter. It is a world of brightness, of intense intellectual activity, of pleasant work, of homely comfort, of sympathetic and loving companionship, all enhanced by the consciousness of God's tendee care.

"This is the temporary sete room to something even grander beyond. Such is the normal destiny of the average human being. For the wicked there are chosteeing spheres which, however, should be regarded eathee as hospitals for crippled souls than as places of punishment, though their cure comes through sorrow."

Such is "The New Revelation" as Sir Arthur Conan Doyle sees it. He tells me that he is devoting much of his time to urging it upon the public here that in fact his activities in this direction have "passed beyond his control." "I may have a movement," he says, "but there is something ahead which is leading me." For the lectures he delivers on this subject he accepts no fees. He hopes to re-open in a great hall in impressive Spiritualistic gathering at the Albert Hall or some other large place of public assembly in London.

The Menace in the South

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from Mexico the Mexicans themselves penyed God he would tell the truth and let the outside world know Mexico's real condition and desperate need of help. Instead he accepted conditions "almost normal and improving" and a groan of sorrow went up from Mexico. Does it read to you like "normal"? And if it does what would the ambassadee send sicher "abnormal?" I presume he would consider losing his job 'abnormal", and he isn't going to lose it. Anyway with a month of his reports Ating conditions "normal" I knew—for I was in Mexico—of thirty call lines, only one was cunning on regular schedule, and it had to be guarded by an armored scout team and had itself an armored car filled with soldiers behind the engine and an armored car filled with soldiees behind the feed man. One line was blown up and the governor of the State kidnapped. One port town was captured A block house just outside Vera Cruz was taken. A city north of Vera Cruz was occupied and a train outside Tampico looted. The bandits like mice. From one captured town they kidnapped eighteen of the Caceanza garrison band. All this was not the week of one revolutionary leader. Two or three independent leaders did it, covering a territory of about 180 miles. Does it sound to you very "normal"? As long as the European War lasted, the Allied nations were too busy to pay much attention to Mexico, but now the war is over and Mexico, too, must be pacified, and it isn't going to pacify Mexico to say through loudmouthed propaganda that she is pacified when she isn't. Three-quarters of the trouble with Mexico for the past six years is that the world has not been permitted to know the truth. The hosh of a censorship stricter and more foolish than the censorship of Europe has done quite as much harm to Mexican affairs as to European. If hee simply permitted Bolshevik doctrine to work unchecked and free from the press with false news. Secret diplomacy covering criminal blunders has done the same irreparable damage to Mexico as to Europe.

And all this takes no account of the enormous financial obligations of Mexico to foreign nations for confiscated properties—railroads, street lines, mines, banks, ranches, defaulted bonds which involve the Monroe Doctrine. Of this I shall write fully in another article.

Meanwhile if the Peace League is to pacify Europe it must also tranquillize and stabilize Mexico. That is the next real job and it is due when Mexico comes up in the first peace conference after the League is organized. It must be attended to without further delay. The fire spreads fast.

The Undercurrents

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answee will be interesting. For surely Sir Robert must have some real reason for twice leading from the hands of his party something on which they have apparently sat their hearts.

Will McKenzie Remain Leadee?

BUT midst all this scheming and preparending of questions the McKenzie eits with a satisfied smile eveg deepening on his placid countenance. It took him a few weeks to get accustomed to the seat of the mighty and the idea that money was rolling in on him in $7.00 chunks. But soon he found that the seat was not too hard to fill and was the idea of his growing wealth altogether too effecting. So he began to expand and blossom forth as the young vew tree. Soon he was making speeches cracking jokes and quoting scripture as of yore. Now this said that he finds the Liberal leadership so much to his liking that he has resolved to keep it. Nor will he be an easy man to displace. What a Scotsman has he builds. As Mum O'Rell observed, he keeps the Sabbath and everything else he gets his hands on. And the McKenzie has both hands on the Liberal leadership. Also there is a growing feeling among his immediate followers that he classes quite as high as the other claimants to the vacant Laurier throne. Mackenzie King is admittedly losing ground in Quebec where all his strength lay. W. M. Martin is rising on the up-up to Hon. Jim Calder. Less than that would kill eey candidate. Then the only man in sight to Hon. A. E. Buisee of Manitoba. And who is Hon. A. E. Buisee? That question will have to be answered before the August convention makes its choice. Meantime if anyone opens a summer bank take a small ticket on Daniel Duncan McKenzie.

But what of labee? I hear someone ask. These are times in which labee is occupying a large space in the newspapees. But not in Parliament. You never hee it mentioned in the Commons. To be seen Hon. Gideon Robertson, who lives in the Senate as all honest laborers should, has startled a watching world by telling over to his sleepy and sanding feeth a committee to gathee facts and make reports with a view to making capital and labor work togethee in peeee and secure as far as possible profit trough. The committee was announced as one that had the confidence of all the people. It may have and for the reason that most of the people never heard of its members. Of the list Tom Moore, the labee leader, is the only one who is not an representative. The whole thing is artificial and satisfactory camouflage—which is all they are intended for.





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The Arch Strategist

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needn't to look so surprised! I raught you twice hiding the! there wirked beard that William used to sel sush store by And anu night I hard you reading aloud to Mett o herr something about ecstacie and vibrations and unjune. His dewnnight stafni and you hadn't ought to meddle with the future I tell you" It nevrn did William no good."

The old lady shook her head as she spoke. Miss Mattin went on writing but n nless observan might have noted that hen hand trembled. Peten fnit uncomfortable and he covered the book he had just opened with a newspaper. His interest in the occult, mild to indifen ence on the start, was daily assuming proportions that alarmed him. A kind of fever was in his veins. He wandered occasionally if he might not be going mad. His poor William Misafer. The night they had made the board say "Don't be so a hurry" he hadn't slept at all. He wouldn't keep away from Eight Elms. It drew him like a magnet. Last night—no the night before!—the board had cautioned "Beware!"

The trouble with you Peten," Mrs. Misafer went on "is that you're too simple minded. Credulous! William was the same way. A sincere, simple hearted soul of a man, a trifle short-tempered to be sure, but easily led."

(The favorite terms applied by the villagers to that good soul had invariably been scurbed differently, of which "harsh" and "tyrannical" had been the mildest.)

Miss Mittie was so very silent her mother finally turned to her and said:

"Close up your books, Mattie, and make yunself agreeable. Can't you talk some to Peten?"

"I've got to skim the milk. Mether, as soon as I finish this."

"Let it wait."

"To-morrow's shanning day," sold the girl briefly and closed hen exercise books with a snap.

"Didn't I smell fresh doughnuts yesterday, Mattie—no, the day before." Mrs Misafer caused as the daughter rose. "Go frth some in to Peter"

Miss Mattie flushed—with either annoyance on embarrassment—but she obeyed. Then she went in sol ur to the milkhouse taking a tall tallow dip and a skimmen.

It may have been ten minutes laten or ll may have been twenty when Peten, recollecting a spunt-level he had loaned Miss Mattie and which he would need on the morrow, delved her. He made a little sound on the soft fart that he was upon her before she knew it. She was on the cold remeut from with hen head sunk in her arms on a milk bench and sobbing like a broken hearted child. Hen whole attitude was one of hopeless grief of despain and utter abandonment to the passeng thng gripped hen.

"Wh—why Mattie?" Peten cried in amazement, as hr thunkened right in, and then stopped confished.

Miss Mattie epnoug up. She turned a flushed tear wet face to erm and then stamped her foot.

"What indeed—have you f followlug me like this?" she flung at him and then a fresh sob caught in her throat and she turned anein hastily.

"Why, Mattie" and Peter blinked helplessly at her lu the feeble light cast by the flickering candle. "What's wrong? Are you sick or anything? I sure wondered why you quit your books so sorly. Are you rirk?"

Miss Mattie shook hen head. Peter advanced ent.' he eized beside hen. Then impulsively he took hen hand.

Mattie—" hr began and then forgot what he intended to say.

The girl had regained some degree of hen old compssure.

"Peter, you go bank into the house now. And don't tell Mether! she soldfrosing hen hend and picking up the ladle.

"I won t," said Peter "Not till you tell me what—why—"

She didn't look up and he saw that her lip trembled.

"Mattie" crird Peten and not aware of what he did he reught her to him, and held her.

He kissed hen then twses and es quickly let go for the realisation that he was bound to unte anoth-n woman rushed over him like a sudden hull wind.

"If—if Mrs. Wyatt—the widow—" Miss Mattie began, standing bask and gasping at him wildly, "if she knew!"

"Darn the widow!" said Peter and again caught the girl to him and kissed hen in se cestasy.

A thin voice from some distance calling "Mattie" at last gave him pause and Mattie breaking from him mumbled something about hen mother's gruel and rushed away. Peter took a long long breath. Then gritting his teeth he stalked slowly away and over the meadows and the pasture-land to his lone bachelon abode. Of course this ended his virits to Eight Elms!

All night long he rolled and tossed. That last couple of kisses had been re turned. Jim Butler's words recurred to him again and again "Mattie mist gain' to shine up to the farmin fraternity" Of reurse not!

And the very next day he heard at the village store that the Misafers were moving to town at the end of the fellow ing week. Miss Mattie was to be "efficient and neat" under the typewriter with the head of them and Mrs Minafer, though really sorry to give up han old home, was carerful and hopeful. Well—that ended that. And Peten nlnove to look forward to a certain fail approaching day with something approximating a phlesphical frame of mind.

It was two days hrfore the wedding day when the netty little *Molly Jane*, carrying hen mistress and Peten Deane villageward at the end of a windy, raw afternoon, became talled. The mistfortune, if such it were, occurred just in frnnt of the grim gates of Eight Elms. The two occupants of the car got out and in turn and together struggled with *Molly Jane's* woun hul to little avail. The services of a garagemen were needed and the car must be towed away, they finally realized.

Miss Wyatt shivered and glanced up the driveway to the white house with its closed shutters and air of seclusion, not to say gloom.

"Darn deanf I love a cup of tea," she murmured. "Do you suppose those people—Minafers is it?—are gone yet"

"They go Monday morning," said Peten. "We could walk down to Hughson's—it's only a little funther—and Jake would drive us back."

"Couldn't think of it, Peter old boy! I'm not a bit used to walking in these shoes. I'm going in to Minafer's. Come along."

"You go thun and I'll—"

"No, you must come too. I'm afraid of the Little Irirls, Peten. I am really! Besides there's a phone hrre and we can send for some vehicle or other in the least wet. It's coming on to rain now and there'll be a steady shower by six."

Miss Mattie Minafen professed herself agreeably surprised to see Peten, why they must stay to supper! She wouldn't hear of anything less. She was just getting it, she said and had made sore muffins.

Peter Deane telephoned for help and secured the promise of a "lift" home before eight o'clock would be struck. Mrs. Wyatt chatted amiably with Mrs. Minafen and Mattie bustled about between kitchen and living room stuppen among the mahogan table before the grate-fire proved a harntesne repast. There was head-cheese and a dish of scalloped tomatoes with potato salad, and muffins and honey followed by lemon jelly with whipped cream, and walnut cake. Miss Mattin had used the Crown Derby set which was the heavy, of course. She might have been frocked and groomed on purpass for this little social hour. She wore a rifugling old blue silk dress, obviously a well-worn one, and a lace collen held in place by an old fashioned cameo brooch. She conversed with an unusual degree of animation and Peter sought himself eagerly listening for her clean virgung laugh. Feast though it was to the ill fed bachelon, he at little thing wnaked." So Peten and Mettie were dratlid to demonstrate and when the four rose from supper they assumed themselves about the small table in the nalighted portion of the room and the rplnitz were prevailed upon to talk. Miss Mattin fetching a candle in an old silvrn candlestick so that they might rand the messages. It was astonishing how much the spirits knew and how ready they were to talk. Peten admitted that they had nevrr before been so leanar see and shanmy. From time to time hr stirred look uven his shoulden in a strange manneu and race Miss Mattir rear and fastened the window natch thinking that the wind aenoyed him.

Mrs. Wyatt intensely superstitious, watched and listened in absorbed silrus. From Simon Pure Cre she got forth hushed queues. Wrre those investnrnte going to turn out all right? Was Cousin Nangaurt going to anvir her to the city thre winter? Should shr buy a satin rhiffon on a nrepe shanmeuse for that Florida trip?

And then the widow, with an aneh look at Peten, propounded the question that quite obviously had been trembling on the tip of hen tongue for some time. Is—is it right for a child to marry again? Does Frank sheet?"

The others knew that thr late Major Wyatt who had died before the opportunity came to sail for Fnance had been of a jealous disposition.

A tiny rink rhimed sight at this point, but cohelon Peten responded with a wet moun nede among scudding clouds. The rain had neased, but seemed again imminent and to belrirous autumn leaves whining about the old Minafer house seca sionally shaking raindrops from a large nacple against the window panes.

Mrs. Minafen Mattie, as always to rlimetir renditions shivered and half mummured that she felt a draught. No one heard on at least paid any heed. The widow was too deeply intent on the board—waiting for the answer that world curnr from the shade of the late Major Wyatt. The whrill wrrte of the Mogaern train hkrwlas went unheeded.

"A promise to a promise," came the message from the board.

Mrs. Wyatt was now thoroughly bagged up.

"Tell him—tell Frnuh—he is an reasonable," she eried at length. Her eyes were glued on the board.

"If you panest—" the board mnem nnaced "—in *your defiance of a sacred promise*—"

The widow maened.

"—Misfortune shall come upon you. Beware!"

The widow shuddered. She gazed wildly al Peter whose eyes wene fixed on the board. She got up shakily, clutched her temples in hen palms, swung about slightly and would have fallre but that at this juncture rer rilention was attracted to the long French window which was violently thr fased. She gave a muffled scream.

"Look! Look! she artienlated thon *The shadow on the window!*

Everybody looked. A blackly outlined against the shirred silk curtain was the shadow of a man in uniform. Half a moment it remained and then slowly it disaggrered, fading downward. Whee the nrt turned short again, wide-eyed and white-fared, Mrs. Patrnna Wyatt lay in a little alken heap on the floor.

AS Mns. Minafrr had observed. Octn hen weddings are the most appropriate for marriages. But Peten Deanr and Mattir Minafrn, as they sped toward the seaboard at thon short honeymoon's end, were lately little regrrd what the season or thr wrrther. Romance had flung its rosy veil between them and things mundane and in spnit they had entered the enternity of A girl. As a matn n of fart the weather was singularly line all the way down the line St. Lawrence and the Labrador, and thrre on the sheltered side of the deck of a palrtial little coertwirr steam r wil mull have sun final rlose ng of them Mattie in becoming hrdrilkr grey—a greywaller grey—and Prirr in arr of the newest rrls in maserlur attire. A soil that had just begun to tnpged mally lines of hie fonns and made him nasily the best groomed of all the men on board



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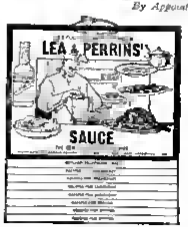
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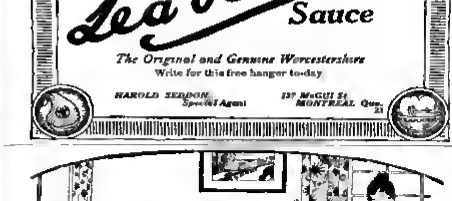
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Mattie glanced up sidewise from under her wine not which she held to her head with one nacel the other being crooked round Peter's neck and she smiled in that sweetly aggravating way she had at times.

"I do believe you're jealous!" she exclaimed.

"Who was he?" asked Peter, his brows close drawn

"He was a dear boy, Peter"

"Have—have you seen him—seen much of him? Is he from round our neighborhood?"

"Yes" And Mattie leaned lower over the rail

"Who is he anyway" Not that I —"

Mattie squeezed Peter's arm and a little ripple of merriment faint as a zephyr floated to his ear

"Who is he, Peter? He's a great big stupid with a very bad memory! He jerked me back from a runaway team and—and was hurt himself."

"Oh!" and Peter's tone was le falling reflective

That! And she had remembered it all these years

"And I suppose you didn't think I guessed who the real giver-of gifts was —those dishes fit for the very gods?"

"How did you find out?" I thought I was very sly Peter."

"I discovered it midnight the last time I has supper at Mrs. Wyatt's. Her I had a night of nightmare, I had indigestion for two days afterwards!"

"Take her all in all Peter she was quite a strategist."

"That's what Jim Butler called her. It was her strongest point."

"But the arch-strategist — that's me—"

"A horrible name dearest! But go on."

"Well you see, someone has said that if one only knows the weakest point in the enemy's armor, one will have a weapon to be sublimated. I knew that the weak est thing about Mrs. Wyatt was her superstition, for Tabitha once told me once met meaning to and I simply play ed on it at first just for mischief and later with serious intent. Peter—those messages the board spelled out—words I read *I jiggled* the board. I made the answers! It was a wild, mad game Peter with you for the prize! The sw happiness you couldn't conceal nearly broke my heart Peter!"

"Never mind about that, now" said Peter soothingly for Mattie's voice had ended in a little catch "Tell me if you can how you worked the shadow on the curtain."

"I didn't have anything to do with that. It was sheer accident or coincidence or—"

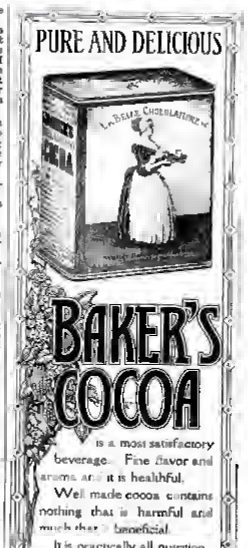
"Good fortune." Peter supplied as Mattie searched for a synonyme.

"Both then Major Stevens sometimes brings our mail up from the village when it's rainy and drops it in the letter box at the French window He never bothers to ring or come in because he knows how long I am at the bank of the house at that time and he just goes on home He has to pass Eight Elms anyway He was the ghost."

"So was it you that threw the rice-pudding at the station, Peter remarked as he ran his finger around inside his collar and thereupon sent a small trickle of something cold and gritty traveling down his spine "But the Lord knows I forgive him fully and freely! He did a great deal for me! He promised the Major never to marry again!"

"I just guessed it, said Mattie "The Major was heawe as a rather jealous husband you know and that's the first promise o jealous mate extracts Do you think we should burn the antiquated Peter?"

"No," Pekee said after a moment's reflection. Lets gild it and hang it on the wall."





Man and Wife

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She topped on the door. There was no response. Again she knocked. He came and flung it wide. She walked in. past him, a wood-rose vision, a little fur cap on the head her fur coat about her slight, gracious figure, her face glowing —for the night was cold, the climb steep the red ips smilingly parted, showing the pretty white teeth

"Mary!" he exclaimed "You Mary!"

"I heard you were back, Hugh All day I've been waiting for you to come back Oh Hugh! How I've longed to see you so that you might know how my heart is all with you in these awful troubles Of course you knew it was but I wanted to be with you and tell you'

He moved a chair toward her but she still stood by the side of his desk he facing her "I don't know of the difficulties you had been passing through You should have told me In future you will want you, Hugh? I may not be able to do much, but now and again it might help a little if I knew—and it would teash as more of each other"

"It is worth going through it all, Mary, to have you come to me in this way," he said, his voice a little husky "It means everything—just everything You remember what I told you that with you, slanders with me, I'd take all other loss and count myself winner" I never fancied it would come to the test, but I have to take my share of the punishment with the rest. I'm not beaten yet, but I was just figuring things up there, and when it looked pretty black you came in, and the gloom was subdued Sit down, te."

SHE removed her coat and cape, and came over to his side, the fairest vision the room had ever known. He held her of the day's strain, the jocking of his capital, the sudden temporary stringency that had made securities for the moment almost valueless, and money unvailable. There was no adequate reason for it. It was panic, folly, but in the wild running wmock many a sound firm business would be slaughtered on the altar of fear Hugh after a long battle, in safeguarding his lumber and only interests. That meant he was in danger of losing them—but it might be a year or two before he would begin to reap from his investment. The most formidable difficulty was in connection with the notes Now that it was almost too late the man had some bank, that evening a deputation had been to see him, promising to return to the pits whenever he wanted them. The disturbing element had already been vie mally driven out of the town

"And I shall be again to morrow he said "If I have to go down to the pit floor and work alone with pick and shovel

"I made the business from the ground up and I can do it again It'll take time to get a mill up and assemble machinery Much of it will have to be surreed, and it may be a few months before matters right knt there will be the sure some luck I'll start in with a beadful of men, put up a makeshift place and grow as I do"

"Would that help out much Hugh" she asked, slipping her cheque before him on the desk. It was for the hundred thousand dollars that were in the bank to hee credit.

He picked it up frowned on he glanced at it, folded and returned it.

"I don t get out of my troubles with my wife's money," he said "That's mighty good of you, Mary I'll never forget it but I can't use that. That is yours and I won't borrow from you

"Hugh," she said, "why may I not show my—my love for you as you showed yours for me when I was in trouble" When you offered me money I took it There was no thing that made me take it—beside wishing to aid my people —and that was I knew that while I did not love you, you did love me I don't know why that should have helped me to cross o w well, o terrible ordle but it did. I asser intended to use that money —at least sot until there was some change The interest I've spent as you would have wished me to do, but the principal has not been mine until now Now I call it mine that I may give it you, Hugh as a sheap little token—for it is really yoaes—of the love I have for you Why may I sat love you as you have loved me? You won t refuse, Hugh the first gift I've been able to make you? You ve always been so strong—so rich—so powerful and I had nothing I could give you. You've been always giving to me Now give me a little fole ploy Hugh I'll think that you have no love left for me If you are too proud to take whet I offee"

She stood again fasing him holding out the little slip of paper "It is not only the bit of paper, Hugh but all that goes with it. It is money, and with it the respect, the honey, the friendship, the love—all I am capble of—the heart of your wife. If you refuse the one I shall take it for granted that you d n't want the other Here it is, take it, take — them"

HE took the slip from her heed, laid it down on the desk. He put his hands on her shoulders, looked into her eyes that sparkled like diamond dew drops on the leaf of a rose. Then his arms swept about her, lifting her from her feet folding her close to his heart, and his kisses earned on her upturned face.

"Come" he said ages later "I'll take you home. It is late" He picked up her coat and held it for her but she shook her head and the crimson deepened

"I didn't mean for you, but I came," she told him. "Will I be very much in the way if I stay here at your home? That is why I came to-night, to take possession of my home. Oh, Hugh, it was a foolish bargain I made—it threw all the responsibility on me—and you have to do is listen—and I have to do all the advancing and love-making. Break the wretched old spell, and tell me that you want me that I must come because Hugh, you are everything to me, every thing I care for, want, love. Now I have done all I can and if I've been unsuccessful love to me Hugh—just as if I wasn't your wife just as if you wanted to win me, just as if you really loved me as much as I love you"

CHAPTER IX

IT is to be feared that Hugh Lyttleton said something the least bit improper But is for a maid to utter in the presence of his wife However, it could not have been very atrocious foe so dignified a lady as Mary only laughed. They were in their little apartment upstairs—intended only for a bachelor, and they were eating bread and cheese and drinking tea out of the same cup in quite a homey way. The stove was burning brightly a kettle singing merrily there was even the office cat who had promptly adopted them and was purring contentedly at most approval of their arrangement by purries at top capacity. There in the midst of this domestic peace a ring came on the door No wonder Hugh said "Dome" before he realized that he was at home, and got to the bashelor dugeons of a few hours before.

Then he got up, kissed Mary as if he were going to the North Pole for some four or five years and went down to see who the malafactir was.

In two or three minutes he called up stairs to her

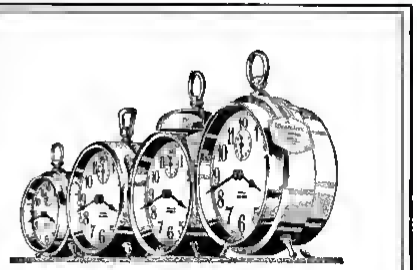
"Mary! A visiter to see you!"

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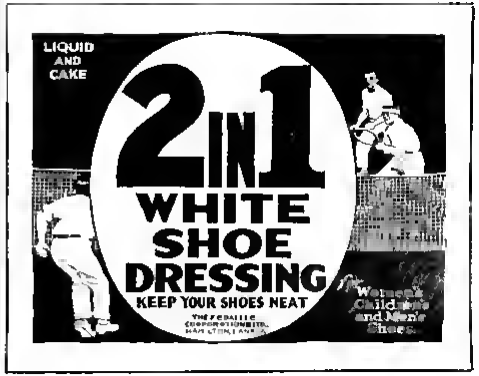
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"I didn't know that you were here Mary," said Alice Williams. "Oh it's just splendid. What a perfect little duck of an apartment, and what a delightful duck of a wife you look! A real cut—a real stove with a steaming kettle on it? You must think you are in heaven. I always said you were the luckiest girl. I've just got to hug you again."

"Jack is downstairs with Hugh," she said nibbling bread and cheese. "He's got a gang of men together all ready for the morning. The other fellow isn't going to have it all his own way. Jack is all for Hugh these days."

Then her vivacious face sobered.

"Hugh has been wonderfully good to Jack and to me," she said. "I can tell you about it now. Before I didn't like to talk about it. I wanted to see if Jack made good first. I suppose you never heard about it, did you? Well, Jack made a slip some time back. It was just about last Christmas time and the people were going to make a lot of trouble. It might have meant prison for Jack and I was just frantic with fear, for Jack and I have always been great chums. There was just nobody in the world to help, that is in the world of those we thought were our friends. They had lots of regrets and heaps of sound advice—you know the kind? I tried everywhere but it was of no use. Never did I imagine that six hundred dollars would be so hard to find. Father wouldn't help. He had been fairly liberal to Jack before and had just shut down. I didn't know what to do. Then one night I was desperate for we feared action would be taken the following day. Then I thought of Hugh. I was right out in the street one night, when this inspiration came to me. It was quite late in the evening, but I went up to the offices. It was terribly hard work to have to ask for Hugh had never liked Jack, and I wasn't much more than an acquaintance but he made it so easy for me. Everybody else had listened getting gradually petrified but Hugh just said 'I'm glad you came up, Alice. Why on earth didn't you come before? Sure I'll do anything I can.'

"The people who wanted the money were pretty stiff before but he went down with me to see them, and settled things up inside five minutes. Then he just said good night to me as if he had been buying me a plate of ice-cream. And I am going to tell you what I did Mrs. Mary Lyttleton whether you like it or not. Outside the house I just grabbed that husband of yours and kissed him. There you know it, and I'm not one bit penitent."

"I would have been ashamed of you, Alice, if you hadn't," laughed Mary, with exultation in her heart that the speaker had no knowledge of.

"And not only that" continued Alice "but he took Jack in when everybody else was blackening him, and I'm glad to know that Jack has made good. You'll see. All the town will be pulling for Hugh and he'll win out yet."

THE two did not stay long. After they had taken their departure, Hugh said to Mary:

"I generally have a lash round at night. Will you come?" She put on her wraps, and they went about the place, now lying tragically silent in the white moonlight—the quagmires choked with wreckage—the shattered sheds—the wrecked engine houses—the vast ruins of the mill—a shameless prospect on the snowy hillside.

The solitary note of cheer and comfort came not from the little apartment upon the blankness.

So they turned away from the calm—the bleak desolation and took their way towards the east upon which the altar fire had burst into glorious flame. He put his arm about her.

"Home Mary, home!" he said.

She stood with him in the tiny hall as he shut out the bleak bitterness of the night. To look it seemed that beyond the door lay dead sorrow, mournless, standing doubt. He locked the door. Then he laid his arm about her waist, and they climbed together the flight of stairs leading into light.

THE END

The Gold Wolf

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dog re runnin' mates and you've got this up."

There was a cry of warning from Slocan, and Kootenay whirled drawing his gun. As he did so his arm dropped and his gun clattered to the floor, for Carney's bullet had splintered its butt, incidentally clipping away a finger. And the same weapon in Carney's hand was severing Slocan and Denver as they stood side by side, their backs to the bar.

NO one spoke; almost absolute stillness hung in the air for five seconds. Half the men in the room had drawn but no one pulled a trigger—no one spoke.

It was Carney who broke the silence.

"Jeanette bind that hound's hand up and you Seth send for the doctor—I guess he's had much of a man to be in this gang!"

A wave of relief swept over the room, men coughed or spat or the tension slipped, dropping their guns back into holsters.

Kootenay Jim sewed by the damaged hand holding it in his left, followed Jeanette out of the room.

As the girl disappeared Heavy Holt, who had stood between the two men, his wrists bound behind his back, said:

"My sister told me he intended to shield me. I stole the gold myself from Seth's safe. I wanted to get out of this hell hole 'cause I knew I'd get to kill Kootenay or he'd get me. That's why I didn't tell before where the gold came from."

"Here, Seth," Carney called as Long came back into the room, "You missed any gold—what do you know about Holt's story that he got the gold from your safe?"

"I ain't looked—I don't keep no close track of what's in that iron box; I just keep the key—and a couple of bags might get lifted and I wouldn't know."

If Jeanette took a bag or two to stake her brother, I guess she's got a right to 'cause we're pardners in all I got."

"I took the key when Seth was sleeping," Merry declared. "Jeanette didn't know I was going to take it."

"But you notice returning she took it so how'd she say that if it isn't a frame up?" Graham asked.

"I told her just as I was pullin' out, so she wouldn't let Seth get in wrong by blamin' her or somebody else."

"Dang it, you see boys," Carney interposed, "if you'd swung off this man, and all this was proved afterwards, you'd be in wrong. You didn't find on Merry a tenth of the gold. Fourteen-feet likely had."

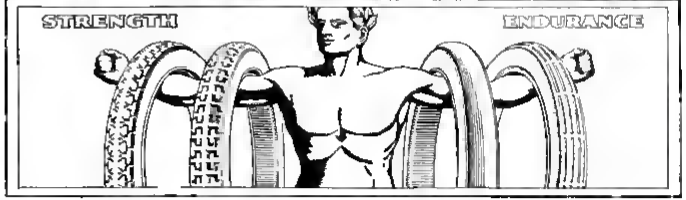
"That skunk hid it," Caribou declared "he just kept enough to get out with."

POOR old Caribou was thirsting for revenge. In his narrowed brain he would have been satisfied if the party had pulled a perfect stranger off a passing train and lynched him. It would have been a good one.

He felt that he was being cheated by the impudent cleverness of Bulldog Carney. He had seen miners hasten out of these just gold claims by professional shocks; the fine reasoning, the miscegenic evidence of the hairs, the untouched half all these things were beyond him. He was honest in his conviction that the coyote was Johnson's and feared that the man who had killed his friend would slip through their fingers.

"It's just like this boys" he said "me and Fourteen feet was together a long time if he was away somewhere I'd know he was comin' back a day before he hit camp—I'd feel it, same's I tuened back on the trail there and found him all chawed up by the wolves. There wasn't no reason to look over the cliff only of Fourteen feet a-sailin' me. And now he's stellin' me inside that there skunk there murdered him when he wasn't lookin'. And if you chaps mint not the send to push this to a finish I'll get the man that killed Fourteen feet; he won't never get away. If you boys is just a pack of coyotes that howls good and plenty till somebody calls 'em, and is goin' to slink away with your tails between your legs for fear you'll be rounded up for the lynchin' you can turn this

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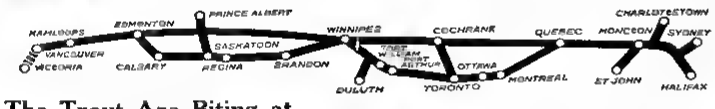
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omnidence loose eight now—you don't need to worry what'll happen to him. I'll be too dazzled lonesome without Fearless feel to tugger whole enemie to me. Turn him loose—take the bobbins off him. Yes fellers go home and pull your blankets over your heads so's you won't see me ghastly."

Carney, whose gray eyes watched the old fanatic's every move, let him talk till he had exhausted himself with his passionate words, then he said:

"Caribou, you're some man. You'd go through a whole tribe of Indians for a chum. You believe you're right, and that's just what I'm trying to do in this, find out who is right—we don't want to wrong anybody. You man-to-man bank on the trail with me and I'll show you the pink-footed tracks; I'll let you help me get the right man."

The old chap leaned his horny shoulders, and looked at Carney out of bleary, weasel eyes set beneath shaggy brows; then he chuckled:

"I'll see you in hell first, I've heard o' you, Bulldog. I've heard you had a wolverine skinned seven ways of the pesh fer tricks, and by the sage of Big Horn I believe it! You know that while I'm here that jack rabbit aint going to get away—and he aint; you can bet your soul on that, Bulldog. We'll go get on the trail until we'd find that Wie such kechuck, the Indian's devil, has stole 'em pipe dream eleh Forked Tongue, and when we come back the men that killed my chum old Fearless feet, would be down somewhere where a smart Alick lawyer'd get him off."

It took an hour of cool reasoning on the part of Carney to extract from that mournful old man a promise that they would give Hal Three days respite. Carney giving his word that he would not send out any information to the police but would devote the time to deleging in the murderer.

Kootenay Jim had had his wound dressed. He was in an ugly mood over the shooting, but the young members of the lynching party felt that he had brought the quarrel on himself, that he had taunted so viciously an Indian, whom they all liked caused the man to feel that he had got pretty much his just deserts. He had drawn his gun first, and when a man does that he's got to take the consequences. He was a gambler, and a gambler generally had to abide by the gambling decree in gun play as well as by the fall of a card.

BUT Carney had much to do and he was just brave enough not to be foolhardy. He knew that the three toughs would waylay him in the dark without compunction. They were now thinking not only for young Hall's life but his. So saying, quoth that he would start in the morning, when it was dark he slipped through the back entrance of the hotel to the stable and led his buckskin out through a corral and by a bank way to the tunnel entrance of the abandoned Little Widow mine. Here he left the horse and returned to the hotel set up the drinks, and feared about for a time generally given the three desperadoes the impression that he was camped for the night in the Gold Nugget. Though Graham in whom he had confided knew differently.

Presently he slipped away and Jeanette, who had got the key from Seth, unlocked the door that led down to the long communicating drift at the other end of which was the opening to the Little Widow mine.

Jeanette closed the door and followed Carney down the stairway. At the foot of the stairs he turned, saying: "You should not do this, girl."

Why, Bulldog?"

Well, you saw this afternoon why Kootenay Jim has got no use in a thing because he can't understand. Men as a rule don't understand much about women, so a woman has always got to wear sermons."

"But we understand, Bulldog," said Seth dear.'

Yes, girl, we understand, but Seth can only understand the evident. You clamben up the stairs quick."

My God! Bulldog, are what you're doing for me now. You never would stand for Harry yourself.'

'If he'd been my brother I would just as you have, girl.'

That's it, Bulldog, you're doing all this, standing there holding up a man of angry men, because he's my brother.'

"You called the turn Jeanette."

"And all I can do all I can say is *thank you*. Is that all?"

That's all, girl. It's more than enough."

He got a strong hand on her arm, almost shook her saying with an earnestness that the playful tone hardly masked.

"When you've got a true friend let him do all the friending—then you'll hold him; the minute you try to rearrange his life you stand tackling the lonely end. Now, good bye, girl, I've got work to do. I'll bring in that wolf of the trail. I've got him marked down in a cave—I'll get him. You tell that pin-headed brother of yours to stand pat. And if Kootenay starts any devilley go straight to Graham. Good-bye."

Coal fingers touched the girl on the forehead; then she stood alone watching the figure slipping down the gloomy passage of the drift lighted candle in hand.

CARNEY led his buckskin from the mine tunnel, climbed the hillside to a bush trail, and mounting, rode silently at a walk till the yellow blobs of light that were flickering Hazelnut behind him. Then at a little bunch of his heels the horse broke into a shuffling trot.

It was once midnight when he camped, both he and the buckskin had eaten robustly back at the Gold Nugget Hotel, and, Carney, making the horse lie down by tugging him gently on the shine with his quirt, rolled himself in his blanket, and slept close beside the buckskin—they were like two men in a huge bed.

All next day he rode stopping twice to let the buckskin feed, and eating a dry meal himself building no fire. He had a conviction that the murderer of the gold hunters made the Valley of the Golden Horse his stalking ground. And if the devil who stalked those retreating animals was still there he felt certain that he would get him.

There had been nothing to cause the murderer's suspicion that these men were known to have been murdered.

A sort of fatality hangs over a man who once starts in on a crime of that sort, he becomes like a man who handles dynamite—careless possessed of a sense of security—of fatalism. Carney had found all desperadoes that way—each murder had made them more sure of themselves, it generally had been as easy.

Carbon Dove had probably passed without being seen by the murderer, indeed he had passed that point early in the morning probably while the ghost of the trail slept, the murderer would reason that if there was any suspicion in Dinking Horse that enlarge had been made away with, a posse would have come riding over the back trail, and the murderer would have ample knowledge of their approach.

To a depraved mind such as his there was a terrible fascination in this killing of men, and capturing their gold, he would keep at it like a gambler who has struck a big winning streak, he would pile up gold probably to the cave Carney had seen the mouth of, even if it was more than he could take away. It was the sense of the lust of gold, and men stoned; the devilish madness lust.

CARNEY had no advantage. He was looking for a man in a certain locality, and the man not knowing of his approach, and drifting it, would be watching the trail in the other direction for victims. Even if he had met him full on the trail Carney would have passed the time of day and ridden on, as it going up into the Eagle Hills. And no doubt the murderer would let him pass without notice. It was only reasonable mince he was interested in. Yes Carney had an advantage, and if the mice were still there he would get him.

His plan was to ride the buckskin to within a short distance of where the murders had been committed, which was evidently in the neighborhood of the



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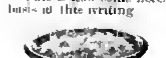
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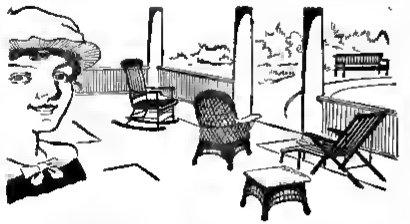
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cliff at the bottom of which Fourteen foot Johnson had been found, and go forward on foot until he had thoroughly reconnoitered the ground. He felt that he would catch sight of the murderer somewhere between that point and the cave for he was convinced that the cave was the home of this trail devil.

The uncanny event of the wolves was not so simple. The carrion tone of the wolf's howl had suggested a wild dog—that is a creature that was half dog, half wolf, either whipped that way in the forests or a train dog that had escaped. Even a fearful weird thought entered Carney's mind that the murderer might be on terms of familiarity over this half wild pair. They might know him well enough to leave him alone—and yet devour his victims. This was conjecture, rather far fetched but still not impossible. An Indian's train dogs would obey their master but pull down a white man quick enough if he were helpless.

However, the man was the thing

THE sun was dipping behind the jagged fringe of mountain tops to the West when Carney slipped down into the valley of the Grizzley's Range, and fording the stream rode on to within a hundred and fifty yards of the spot where his buckskin had shied from the trail two days before.

Dismounting he took off his coat and draping it over the horse's neck, said "Now you're anchored, Patsy—stand steady."

Then he unbuckled the snaffle bit and run from the bridle and wound the rein about his waist. Carney knew that the horse not hampered by a dangling rein to catch in his legs or be seized by a man, would gallop himself. No man but Carney could saddle the buckskin or mount him unless he was roped or thrown and his hind feet were as deft as the fists of a boxer.

Then he moved steadily along the trail, finding here and there the imprint of moccasined feet that had passed over the trail since he had. There were the fresh pugs of two wolves, the dog wolf's pawe enormous.

Carney's idea was to examine closely the trail that ran by the cliff to where his horse had shied from the path in the hope of finding perhaps the evidences of struggle patches of blood soaked into the brown earth and then pass on to where he could command a view of the cave mouth. If the murderer had his habitat there he would be almost certain to show himself at that hour either returning from up the trail where he might have been on the lookout for approaching victims or to issue from the cave for water or firewood for his evening meal. Just what he should do Carney had not quite determined. First he would stalk the man in hopes of finding out something that was conclusive.

If the murderer were in the cave the gold would almost certainly be there.

That was the order of events as to speech when Carney, hand on gun and eyes fixed ahead on the trail, came to the spot where the wolf had stood at bay. The trail took a twist a projecting rock bolted it into a little turn, and a fallen birch lay across it half smothered in a lake of leaves and brush.

As Carney stepped over the birch there was a smashing clamp of iron, and the powerful jaws of a bear trap closed on his leg with such numbing force that he almost fainted. His brain swirled, there were ringing noises in his head as excruciating pain on his leg.

His senses returning, his first cogent thought was that the bone was smashed, but a limb of the birch caught in the jaws supplied to splintess a leg saved the bone and his breeches and heavy socks in the legs of his strong calling boots.

As if the snapping steel had carried down the valley the evening stillness was rent by the yelping howl of a wolf beyond where the cave hung on the hillside. There was something demoniac in this suggesting to the half dazed man that the wolf stood as sentry.

THEE utter helplessness of his position came to him with full force, he could no more open the jaws of that double springed trap than he could crash the door of a safe. And a glance showed him that the tray was fastened by a chain at either end to steel-growing trees. It was a man-tray. If it had been for a bear it would be fastened to a piece of loose log.

The fiendish devilry of the man who had set it was evident. The whole vile scheme flashed upon Carney. It was set where the trail narrowed before it wound down to the gorge and the man caught in it could be killed by a club, or left to be devoured by the wolves. A pistol might protect him for a little against the wolves, but that area could be easily wheedled out of a man caught by the murderer coming with a pretence of helping him.

Suddenly a voice fell on Carney's ear "Throw your gun out on the trail in front of you! I've got you covered, Bulldog, and you haven't got a chance on earth."

Now Carney could make out a pistol—a man's head and a crooked arm projecting from beside a tree twenty yards along the trail.

"Throw out the gun, and I'll parley with you!" the voice added.

Carney recognized the voice as that of Jack the Wolf, and he knew that the offered parley was only a blind, a trick to get his gun away so that he would be a quick victim for the wolves that would save a shooting. Sometimes an imbedded bullet spoil the absolute tale of murder.

"There's nothing doing in that line, Jack the Wolf!" Carney answered. "You can shoot and be damned to you! I'd rather die that way than be torn to pieces by the wolves."

JACK the Wolf seemed to debate this matter behind the tree, then he said: "It's your own fault if you get hit, my bear trap, Bulldog, I shut you in. I've been watchin' you for the last hour, and I've been a woman jest what your little game was. Me and you aint got enough friends for me to step up there to help you out and you got a gun on you. Yen throw it out and I'll parley. If you'll agree to certain things, I'll spring that trap and you can ride away, cause I guess you'll keep your word. I don't want to bill nobody, I don't."

The argument was specious. If Carney had not known Jack the Wolf as absolutely bloodthirsty, he might have taken a chance and thrown the gun.

"You know perfectly well, Jack the Wolf, that if you came to help me out, and I shot you, I'd be committing suicide, you're lying."

"You mean you won't give up the gun?"

"No."

"Well, keep it, damn you! Them wolves keep a stalkin' me, too. One of 'em knows pretty near as much about guns as you do. They'll just sit off there in the dusk and laugh at you till you drop, then you'll never wake up. You think it over, Bulldog, I'm——"

The speaker's voice was drowned by the howl of the wolf a short distance down the valley.

"D'you hear him, Bulldog?" Jack queried when the howls had died down. "They get your number on the wind and they're sayin' you're their meat. You think over my proposition while I go down and gather in your buckskin, he looks good to me for a get-away. You let me know when you've come back with your gun in your possession or wolves is in a hurry—they're hungry, and I guess your leg aint none too comfortable."

Then there was silence, and Carney knew that Jack the Wolf was stealing through the bush to where his horse stood, keeping out of range as he travelled.

Carney knew that the buckskin would put up a fight, his instinct would tell him that Jack the Wolf was evil. The hoof fire would keep the wolves at bay, for in the darkness they would come. It would give him a circle of light and a target when the light fell on their exact line faces.

Bending gingerly down he found in the long grass a number of pieces of dead branches that Jack the Wolf had cunningly placed there to hold the leaves. There was within reach on the dead of Jack slipping from tree to tree so as to keep the buckskin between him and Carney.

Now the horse turned his arched neck and snorted. Carney whipped out his gun a double purpose in his mind. If Jack the Wolf offered a fair mark he would try a shot, though at a hundred and fifty yards it would be a chance, and he must harbor his cartridges for the wolves, the second purpose was that the shot would cause the buckskin with a knowledge that there was a battle on.

Jack the Wolf came to the trail beyond the horse and was now slowly approaching, speaking in coaxing terms. The horse warily alert, was shaking his head, then he pawed at the earth like an angry bull.

Ten yards from the horse Jack stood still his eye noticing that the bridle rein and bit were missing. Carney saw him unwind from his waist an ordinary packing rope, it was not a lariet, being short. With this in a hand held behind his back Jack with short steps moved slowly toward the buckskin trying to soothe the very animal with soft speech.

Ten feet from the horse he stood again, and Carney knew what that meant—a little quick dash in to twist the rope about the horse's head, or seize him by the nostrils. Also the buckskin knew. He turned his rump to the man, threw back his ears, and lashed out with his hind feet as a warning to the horse thief. The coat had slipped from his neck to the ground.

Jack the Wolf tried circling tactics trying to gentle the horse into a sense of security with soothing words. Once thinking he had a chance, he sprang for the horse's head only to escape these lightning heels by the narrowest margin, at that instant Carney fired but his bullet missed, and Jack started stood back planning subtly.

Carney saw him thread out his rope with the noose end in his right hand and circle again. Then the head with a half-circle sent the loop swishing through the air and at the first cast it went over the buckskin's head.

Carney had been waiting for this. He whistled shrilly the signal that always brought the buckskin to his side.

Jack had started to work his way up the rope hand over hand but at the well known signal the horse whirled, the rope slipped through Jack's sweaty hands a loop of it caught his leg and he was thrown. The buckskin strung to a high nervous tension, answered his master's signal at a gallop and the rope fastened to Jack's waist dragged him as though he hung from a run away horse with a foot in the stirrup. So body and rocks trees rocks at jiggered about on the rough earth like a cork, for the noose had slipped back to the buckskin's shoulders.

JUST as the horse reached Carney Jack the Wolf's two legs straddled a silm tree and the body wedged there. Carney snapped his fingers but as the horse stepped forward the rope tightened the body was free.

"Damned if I want to tear the ears to pieces Patsy," he said, drawing forth his pocket knife. He just managed by reaching out with his long arm to cut the rope and the horse thrust his velvet muzzle against his master's cheek, as if he would say "Now, old pal, we're all right—don't worry."

Bulldog understood the reassurance and talking to the broad white forehead answered: "We can play the wolves together, Pet—I'm glad you're here. He's humbled to encounter you, too." Then a bull-dog thought entered the horse's feet at a twist, a sheet of agony raced along the virulent nerves to Carney's brain.

In the subsidence of strife Carney was cognizant of the night shadows that crept along the valley, it would soon be dark. Perhaps he could build a little fire; it would keep the wolves at bay, for in the darkness they would come. It would give him a circle of light and a target when the light fell on their exact line faces.

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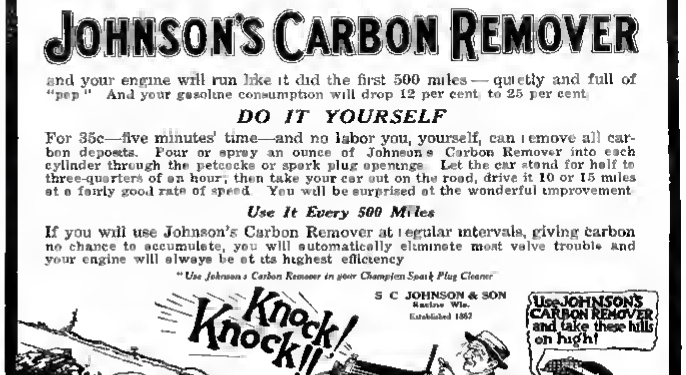
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hirch some of its silver parchment-like bark With his cow boy hat he brushed the leaves away from about his limbs, then taking off his belt he lowered himself gingerly to his free knees and built a little mound of sticks and twigs against the birch log Then he put his hand in a pocket for matches—every pocket he had not one match; they were in his coat lying down somewhere on the trail. He looked lovingly at the body lying wedged against the tree Jack would have matches for no man travelled the wilds without the means to a fire But matches in New York were about as accessible as any that might be in Jack the Wolf's pockets.

Philosophie thought with one leg in a bear trap, is practically impossible, and Caseeys accompaniment of tantalizing fate was contingent. As if Fate resented this Fate gave something, cast into the trapped man's mind a magical inspiration—a vital grievance. His mind, acute because of his dilemma and paindistant have wandered far ahead of his cognizance, for a sane man of easy lay evident. If he had a fire he could heat the steel springs of that trap The leaves of the spring were this depending upon that elastic quality the steel's temper for strength If he could heat the steel, even to a dull red, the tempes would leave it as a spirit faceashes a body and the spring would bend like cambered

"And I haven't got a damn match," Carney wailed Then he looked at the body "Eat you've got them—"

He grasped the huckskin headpiece and drew him forward a pace; then he onsiung his flrket line and made a throw for Jack the Wolf's head If he could yank the body around the wedged legs would clear

Throwing a lariat at a man lying groggily flat, with one of the thrower's legs in a bear trap was a new one an Caseys—it was some test.

One he muttered grimly, from between set teeth. "If my leg holds out I'll get him yet Patsy."

Then he threw the lariat again, only to drag the noose hopelessly off the head that seemed glued to the ground the dim light hlussing foam and sneath into a shadow from which the taut, unduly thick the pale face that carried a crimson mark from forehead to chin.

HE had made a dozen casts, all futile, the noose sometimes catching slightly at the shaggy head even causing it to coil weirdly, as if the man were not dead but dodging the rope As Carney slid the noose from his hand to float gracefully out toward the body his eye caught the slim form of the dog-wolf just between his dilating jaws parted, giving him the grinning aspect of a laughing hyaena Carney snatched the rope and dropped his head in the game but the wolf—sly as hes than the man—he was gone A curious thing had happened though for that arcetic twist of the rope had sprained the muscles beneath Jack the Wolf's chin and gently vibratingly, tightening the silly Carney found it held Then hand over hand he hauled the body to the birch log and, without ceremony, searched it for matches. He found them, wrapped in an oilskin in a pocket of Jack's shirt. He noticed casually that Jacks gun had been torn from its belt during the owner's rough voyage

The finding of the matches was like an anesthnth to the agony of the slamp on his foot. He chuckled saying, "Patsy it's a million to one on us; they can't beat us, old pard

He trembled as his fargots and birch bark to the loops of the springs. one pliest on the end of the trap and touched a match to them

The small smoke almost stifled him; sparks burnt his hands and his wrists and his face the jaws of the trap commenced to scald the heat as it traveled along the condnuting steel and he was threatened with the fact that he might burn his leg off With a yell he flung up the blank idolst earth beneath the leaves, and dabbled it on to the beating jaws.

CARNEY was solntent on his manifold duties that he had practically forgotten Jaik the Wolf; but as he turned his face from an inspection of a spring that was reddening, he saw a pele of black vicious eyes watching him, and a hand reaching for his gun belt that lay across the birch log

The hands of both men grasped the belt at the same moment, and a terrible struggle ensued. Carney was handicapped by the trap, which seemed to bite into his leg as if it were one of the wolves fighting Jack's battle, and Jank the Wolf showed, by his vain efforts to ease that his legs had been made almost meless in that drag by the horse.

Caseey had in one hand a stout stak with which he had been adjusting his fire and he brought this down on the othes's wrist, almost shattering the bone With a cry of pain Jack the Wolf released his grasp of the belt, and Carney yulling thn gun noveced him, saying "Hoped you were dead, Jack the Mnsdeces! Now turn face down on the log with your hands behind your back, till I hobble you!

"I can spring that trap with a lovee and let you out" Jack offered

"Don't need you—Im going to see you hanged and don't want to be under any obligation to you murderer! turn over quick or I'll kill you now—my leg is on fire."

Jack the Wolf knew that a man with a bear trap on his leg and a gun in his hand was not a man to trifle with so he obeyed

When Jack's wrists were tied with the picket line, Carney took a loop about the prisoner's legs, then he turned to his fires

The struggle had turned the steel springs from the fires, but in the twisting one of them had been bent so that its ring had slipped down from the jows Now Carney hnaped both fires under the othes spring and soon it was so hot that when haloneing his weight on the leg in the trap, he placed his other foot on it and shifted his weight the strip of steel went down like paper. His was free

At first Carney could not bear his weight on the mangled leg it felt as if it had been asleep foe ages, the blood rushing through the released veins prickled like a tattooing needle He took off his belt and massaged the limb, Jack eyeing this proceeding soodenically. The two wolves hovered beyond the firelight snuffling and yapping.

When he could hobble on the injured limb Caoney put the bit and bridle sein hnch on the huckskin and turning to Jack mowound the picket line from his legs saying "Get up and lead the way to that cave!"

"I can't walk Bulldog" Jack protested "my leg is half broke"

"Take your choice—get on your legs or I'll tie you up and leave you foe the wolves" Carney snapped

Jack the Wolf knew his Bulldog Caoney well. As he rose groggily to his feat Carney lifted to the saddin holding the loose end of the picket line that was fastened to Jaske's wrists, and said

"Go on in front, if you try any tricks I'll put a hnlint theough you—this sore leg s got mn peeved."

AT thin rave Caoney found as he expected several little canvas bags of gold, and other odds and ends such as a musiieeve tee often and also foolishly will garner from the fields. But he also found something he had not expected to find—the cayuse that had belonged to Fourteen-foot Johnson, for Jeck the Wolf had preserved the cayuse to pack out his wasith

Next morning, on chance of action having come to Jack the Wolf through the night, for his hands were tied up like a turkey that is to be roasted, he started on the pilgr mage to Buching Herse, astride Fourteen foot Johnson's cayuse, with both feet tied beneath that somlre animals belly Carney landed him and the gold in that astonished horg

And in the fullness of time something very serious happened the enterprising man of the hana trap

The Wings of the Morning

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VI

NEXT day was Sunday but instead of putting on Sabbath day blacks and dutifully answering the call of the kirk bell, the dominie decided to take his weekly allowance of preaching by proxy Accordingly Janet onsopied the "school pen" in solitary state and vast secret dinplesence For Janet had a grievance, the sort of grievance tonsling women so often have against any doubting man. She had not been deceived thankn to her own onteness; but the attempt to deceive was palpable.

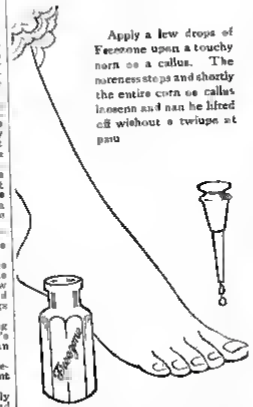
"I wouldn't have believed it o hm, thought Janet, as the small broken winded sogan began to wheeze out a jesky peelude "No, I wouldn't," she repeated an the minister, stately and solemn entered and mounted the pulpit stairs "What would he think o one o his elders tryin' to hookwinkle him and housekeeper? Te tell me he was for a whin o hill wind to nuce a headache when a the time I kent fine he was off to see Margaret Gordon Dawid was right Men are a quirky and hes just like the lave o them It'n foe maesyin hes hill be for a that's come and genn What I'm wonderin' is if Margaret will be big enough to hold me on her.

She knew what had happened and of cearm was sessy foe Margaret Gordon with the sorrow of a splurtle foe a weeping Rachel. Bnt she could not forgive the dominie These thoughts as an groaned Janet that could not find the text in all hes Bible, heasd not n word of the sermon and almost heeke in to singing when others were composing themselves for the pree. The uncertified wisdom sat with sobies and bound in gold He could only stroke the hand he held inconherently murmuring commen places of somfest

At last she suddenly lnaned foeward upon the table and broke into a storm of weeping and Thomas Dunning was devontly glad, for he knew that to the stricken heart tears are salvation

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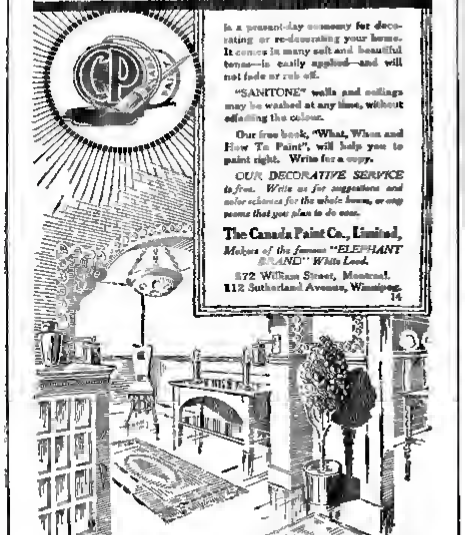
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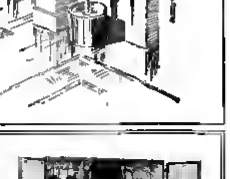
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Thomas Dunning "locked in" at High Croft, "just to say. How d'ye do?" in the passing. He remembered that Margaret had not seen Mr Hector's letter. Perhaps she would like to read it for herself. He would therefore leave it and call for it on his way back. No thanks, he would have nothing. Dan climbed all the better for a good light. Then, remarking that the day was warm and good for growing crops, he turned once more to the hill above. Margaret understand. Tom is very thankful and delicate," she said to herself. On his part he was saying, "She hasn't slept a wink all night, and her eyes, oh! poor thing! I could scarcely bear to look at them"

VII

FOR a quarter of a mile Dal is to say on long as he was within sight of High Croft, the dominie walked rapidly thee feeling himself in no hurry he and down on a mossy sun weemed rock and thought of Margaret Gordon

Three hours later he returned, and she was waiting for him gaudily white but dey-eyed and composed Together they went inside and this time he consented to have refreshments—of scone fresh bottom, and creamy "home-milk which would have superseded nectar had it been known on Olympus Thus braced, he cleared his throat—and now he had all at once become a victim to shyness—and confusedly referred to Mr Hector's letter

"It's a fine generous letter," said Margaret simply "I'll always love Mr Hector for what he says in it. Yes, though I'm far far away from High Croft"

The last part of the statement was a close lapse, and uneasily cast Margaret her dimpled resolute self possession

"Yes" he agreed, pulling her effort to be calm. The letter of one knew men paying tribute to another She Hector is deeply touched"

He appeared to be gazing on, but, instead fastened sheepishly and looked out of the window The rich flush of midsummer was on the scene, a Sabbath peace was in the air All thought of woe seemed remote alien and incongruous.

"It's heroic," he murmured "Theocritus would have loved it." And then, with a sidelong look, "You wouldn't like to leave it, would you Maggie?"

"It just needs that to break my heart altogether," she answered. "That would do it.

There was a long pause "Wouldn't it be hard for you to carry on alone?" he asked then

"Oh! I could do it," was the emphatic reply. "And now that they're all gone, it's what I'll do"

The dominie gulped something invisible. "Maggie" he said not too successfully keeping the gulp out of his voice, there's one thing more to say, and it's this—that ye re stay She Hector is your very good friend. I have seen him again, and he authorized me to tell you that."

She looked at him searchingly "Tom" she cried "you have been pleading for me"

"Nonce a word" he replied promptly "Nnnnn so much as a single word You should have heard what he says about Alecks"

"Then if he's my friend he'll let me stay here" said Margaret "I have some help, and I'm used to working Tom dear, this for me, and tell Sir Hector he will have every penny of his own—every penny"

"Believe me, he's not thinking of that," the dominie avowed hon

But he did not argue. Instead he acted

VIII

THE very next day Margaret received a letter which made her giddy with excitement. It consisted of the single word —"Cashanny Castle" she gloated of the signature—Sir Hunter's. The letter, in the baronet's own hand was as follows:

"Dear Mrs. Gordon,—One summon friend Mr. Dunning informs me that you desire to remain at High Croft. I greatly regret that I cannot see my way to comply with your wish (my present annuity collapsed) because it is contrary to pending arrangements In the providence of God and at the call of duty you have been deprived of those to whom you would ordinarily look for help My heart goes out to you—but I will not dwell on that. What I have to say is that for all your sakes I think it best you should leave High Croft. Therefore you shall have choice of two other houses. Whichever you choose shall be rent free as long as you care to occupy it, and I trust you will accept such a supplement to your income as will be sufficient for the comfort I should like you to have I beg this as a favour and not in any sense as a reluce for what you and yours have done for me and mine That is beyond payment. You see, I assume you will do as the lease of remaining on the estate. For the rest, with your permission you shall have assistance in winding up things at High Croft. My friend Miss Mrs Gordon is that you just leave the matter of winding up and flitting to us men folk.

"My son is already in hospital in London As soon as ever the surgeons are done with him he will be home. His mother, who sends her love and sympathy, thinks a Highland air will do him more good than all the apothecary's stuff in England You may be sure he will be very glad to see you personally of calling and expressing to you in person something of what we all feel

"Please let me know that all this is agreeable to you God-speed and bless you, new and always.

Margaret was glad she was permitted to read that letter by herself, for no one was by to witness the grateful, tender, distressing tears she shed over it.

"My Alecks' she sobbed "caused me in the end, as he said he would And Mr Hector, yes, I'll always love Mr Hector"

IX

SHE sent Mr Hector soon; but not in the opulence of her own Highland hills as had been planned Before he could come home she went up to London, first-class at Sir Hector's expense, to receive from His King's own hand the decoration won half across worn by Alecks. The dominie accompanied her for on Sir Hector pointed out with clinching force, she could never be trusted to go alone

The tumult and confusion would simply stun and bewilder her," he said "Ten to one she'd be run over by some carnarning fool or even she got near Buckingham Palace, they'd run you. Eh! What's that? The school. Fiddlesticks! The Board aren't idiots, and when did scholars object to a holiday?"

The business accordingly had basis holiday "In London the master was careful to explain "of one who has brought lasting glory to our school."

When in London Sir Hector got a special investiture and when Margaret, who would fain have hidden of the last moment, was conducted into the royal presence a small white, trembling figure lost, as it seemed in the sea of uniforms, the Cockney crowd observed loyalty Thom was more cheering than the Rice Parade Sir Hector in Maltese Cross with the bit of crimson ribbon which would for ever tell the tale of Alecks valor and sacrifice. She conveyed in acknowledgment and was turning away but the King detained her to pester Alecks bravery and say how well her distinction was deserved. Friendly he shook hands, warm and friendly just as if he had known me all my life" said Margaret afterwards. She had not imagined kings capable of shaking hands in that fashion. As she made his way to the rear, smiling through her tears, holding his treasure tight, the watching eagles crowd exploded in anthem and more professed shouts She turned quickly round to see if Sir Hector of the Maltese Cross remained "Cashanny Castle" she was told sympathetically

E was a good boy as got 'is *that* mum"

Thank you for that," said Margaret simply

Mr Hector stood beside the dominie, waiting for her. He was on neatches (that was why he had not attended his Sovereign's levee) and as soon as she stepped a quick look of pity in his face.

"Oh Mr Hector, dear!" she cried, scarcely ceteieg his salute "but I'm sorry to see you like this"

I am very thankful to be like this Mrs Gordon" he answered "If it hadn't been for Sergeant Gordon I shouldn't have been here at all. I'm glad to have seen what I've seen to-day My father has told you all herself, has he?"

"Yes and he has told me all—"

She caught her lip. He understood and withheld something greatly wanted to say. By and by she would be better able to listen.

A moment's awkwardness and he took the two to the little hotel off the Strand (recommended by Sir Hector) where they had put up for one night. Thence to Cook, thence to Victoria, where a couple of crutches, insisted on conducting Margaret's self to her own on The maiden an' She Hector had words down if Lint Sir Hector would have if so or does comes the mean about one kiddie No I'm es inquire. He says I mann bide an take care o' her Two to rook on clean foe listend o' one. It's grand to be so meckle thocht o' My certes!"

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A Mysterious City of Rhodesia

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In 1506 Portuguese traders in South East Africa came upon a veined city which had already been the centre of a gold mining district. There is evidence that they themselves worked as attempted in week these mines How even they abandoned them, and the ruins were forgotten until feel en forgotten Livingstone brought them again to the notice of the world Many learned explorers have since visited these remains and they seem to agree that the very ancient of economical and economical knowledge as the part of the builders peoples a certain clue on it the date of their erection. Authorities accept unanimously agree that Rhodesia must have been the ancient Monomatapa, the gold producing country known to the ancients of Ophir It is Brathwait Arabia declined the enormous quantities of gold which they distinguished to all the then known countries

Gold was according to Biblical and records writings the principal trade of the famous Ophir and this fact has often given rise to the erroneous conception that Ophir itself must have been a great gold producing country But there seems little doubt that Ophir was only the intermediate emporium and that the precious metal was chiefly imported from South East Africa Authorities even affirm that ships in parts sunk in almost inney space proof into stones sandalwood and pineapple which were brought by Hiram to King Solomon's court, else most have been obtained from that same country King Hiram of Tyrus sailed from Exion-Gebee on the Red Sea to Ophir with his and King Solomon's fleet at regular intervals of three years, probably allowing the Arabian traders time to fetch from Africa all the gold and ready merchandise required The Scriptures tell us that the gold obtained in a single one of these voyages amounted to a present value of about four million pounds sterling From this fact alone we can conclude what vast quantities of ore must have been recovered from the old Rhodesian workings. All the evidence, gained by exploration in the ruins, seems to point to the conclusion that the ancient settlements in South East Africa were established for the sole purpose of this gold winning industry As the coins date so far as can be ascertained from practically prehistoric times, as far back as 1200 B C the period of their erection would appear both approximately and subsequently that same during which Scriptural references are made to the gold trading of Ophir

When in search of time the power of the southern Arabians waned, we find that by natural absorption the Phoenicians became not only the Phoenicians of the Mediterranean and of the Southern Ocean but also of the Arabian colonies formed amongst these hence the gold producing colonies in South East Africa. And the explains how the trade and wealth for which the Sabaneans had been so famous in the days of Solomon passed to them Phoenicians brotheen These latter in occupying Monomotapa or Rhodesia still adhered to the main type of smelting and coining used by the Arabians and only introduced a few fresh features

The ruins of the ancient mined show almanch monotonous galleries and chambers, sometimes extending for the stones being laid without mortar Some of the walls are broad and massive enough to serve as rooms and have been used as such even down to quite recent times. The first object of the ancients who left these stupendous mountain piles to posterity seems to have been protection and several interesting tribes who lived in these fortresses and from whom in all probability were drawn the numerous slaves necessary to many on the extensive gold industry Many thousands of people were evidently herded around the principal industrial centres the size of which is delightful the countless gold smelting furnaces, crushing stones etc.



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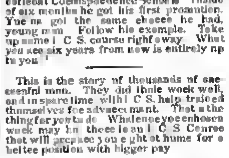
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discovered in the ruins, must have been quite enormous.

The principal feature in the Zimbabwe district is the Zimbabwe Hill crowned by the ruins of the Acropolis a bewildering stronghold which from a height of about five hundred feet, overlooks the Valley of Ruins, doubtless the site of the city itself. In the midst of the valley lies the principal ruin termed the Great Zimbabwe. It forms a large elliptical enclosure and is believed to be of the earliest period. It contains the most undisputed evidences of Sabæan handiwork. The builders were Nature worshippers of the early Phœnician cult when stone worship was one of the leading features of the ritual. Among the essential finds there are a great number of phallic emblems and many soapstone birds pronounced by authorities to be similar to the images of the bird reverenced as Astarte on emblem much used in Phœnician worship, and similar to those found in Cyprus. See Gilpin's and other Phœnician antiquities. The Zimbabwe Temple is nearly identical to the old Temple of Hieram near Moeib the capital of the old Yemen, and Sheba, the Queen of Sheba, famous Bilkis, Queen of Sheba reigned.

Apparently the Zimbabwe Temple was a very important place of worship and constituted the centre where the great national feasts were held. The outer wall which rises to a height of thirty feet forms an elliptical circle of nearly three hundred feet in length. Within this vast enclosure there is a maze labyrinth of walls and passages all built of well-cut granite sets and laid in marvellously even courses. A long exceedingly narrow passage leads direct from the main entrance to the inner sanctuary. The walls of this passage are of the same imposing height as the outer wall and conceal the carefully buttressed approaches to the named Conical Tower which is over thirty feet in height and built of solid masonry. In front of this sacred tower is a raised platform covered with a thick cement flooring which was presumably used by the priests for religious purposes. The whole temple group still impresses and haunted with the relics of these prehistoric Nature worshippers, and an atmosphere of awe inspiring mystery surrounds the interior.





Who Will Succeed Wilson?

A Review of the U.S. Presidential Situation

THE Presidential pot is already beginning to boil in the United States although the nominations do not occur until next year. Already speculation is rife as to who will probably be nominated. It is agreed that Wilson could have the Democratic nomination if he cared to ignore the no-third term convention. On the Republican side the interest seems to centre around General Pershing, General Leonard Wood, and Charles E. Hughes, who gave Wilson so close a run last year.

The possibilities are concisely summed up by Frank H. O'Brien in "Nuvo's Magazine." He writes:

On the Democratic side Mr. Wilson stands out as so commanding a personality as powerful a leader of his party that he can have no serious opposition if he decides to be a candidate for a third term. No man in American history has ever had such unchallenged control over his party. What ever may be thought of the quality of his statesmanship no one can question that he has the genius of great personal appeal to the imagination of the people. His combination of political sagacity and daring originality makes him a unique figure in American history.

It rests entirely with Mr. Wilson to say whether he will again receive the nomination of the Democratic party in 1920. There is no need of discussion to buttress this conclusion, the no-third-term tradition notwithstanding.

Should Mr. Wilson elect not to run again in 1920 the men most frequently mentioned as possible Democratic nominees are Willam G. McAdoo, Senator Underwood of Alabama; ex-Speaker Clark of Missouri; William Jennings Bryan; Secretary of War Baker; and Governor Cox of Ohio. There may be other aspirants—perhaps many others. The woods are usually full of men whose political ambitions do not fall short of the White House. But of these six outstanding figures—McAdoo, Underwood Clark, Bryan, Baker and Cox—it is anybody's guess as to which one the Democrats will be strongest following in the convention.

Now let us turn to the Republican party, and here we find a much longer list of potential candidates. With Mr. Roosevelt olive the situation was different, for his pre-eminence as a leader practically precluded all thought of seeking another Republican nomination, but his untimely death has left an open field. The following is at least a partial list of men whose names have been brought under discussion:

Ex-President Taft.

Eight members of the United States Senate — Lodge, of Massachusetts; Knox, of Pennsylvania; Harding, of Ohio; Borah of Idaho; Cummins of Iowa; Johnson of California; Kellogg of Minnesota; and Watson of Indiana.

One former member of the Senate — Beveridge of Indiana.

One former member of the United States Supreme Court — Ex-Justice Hughes, of New York.

Two Governors of States—Lowden of Illinois and Allen of Kansas.

One president of a university—Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler of New York.

Two soldiers—General John J. Pershing and Major General Leonard Wood.

The name of General Pershing has come forward as a Presidential possibility, chiefly because of the nation's grateful habit of rewarding its military heroes. Three professional soldiers—William Henry Harrison, Zachary Taylor and Ulysses S. Grant—have been elected Presidents, while Washington and Jackson, while not professional soldiers in the sense that those named were, did not suffer by having their exploits in the field added to their wisdom in council.

With the exception of Andrew Johnson and Mr. Taft, every Republican President has been a soldier. Lincoln served in the Black Hawk War, General, of course, was one soldier of soldiers. Hayes was made a major-general for his deeds at Cedar Creek. Garfield—who, like Hayes was elected to Congress while in the field—could have commanded a division had he stayed in uniform. Arthur was quartermaster general in New York. Benjamin Harrison showed conspicuous gallantry in the Atlanta campaign, and was a brevet brigadier-general at the end of the war. McKinley, enlisting as private at eighteen rose to a majority at the end of the four bitter years. Roosevelt was a rising politician-statesmen before the war with Spain, yet he would not have been elected Governor of New York in 1898 if it had not been for his exploits as leader of the Rough Riders.

The "Reds" in New York

How the Bolsheviks Are Working in the East Side

IT is of course well known that the Bolshevik doctrines are spreading in the United States. There is steady propaganda on the part of the agents of the Communistic Cause and the poison filters through the crowded sections of big cities, with startling rapidity. John Reese Mitchell tells in *The Forum* how the movement is growing in New York and what he writes leaves the impression that the situation has its serious side. He says in part:

Come with me! Just south of Washington Square, in the same place the strong hold of New York conservatism there is, on Fourth Street, a dingy building, the upper floors given over to Bolshevistic radicals. In the basement, several floors above the street, a hall. It is the Labor Lyceum. There one finds a room about sixty feet wide and seventy feet long, it is lighted with cheap collapsible chairs, closely packed. At one end of the room since a stage screened by a dingy curtain bearing letters in Yiddish. Underfoot is sawdust mingled by the feet of the hundreds who at night congregate there. It is a stifling place, heavy with the fumes of cheap cigarettes, uncombed beards mottled with food, many ever gesticulating and talking in strange tongues. There come the young men in their one-half and three quarter length coats, and the dress is tawdrily foppish, all a little beaten and seedy in their manner. Aged children not so long ago they stepped off the steamer frightened and cowed by the shoes magnificence which is New York, they were refugees from Old World tyranny. To-day the wine of freedom has gone to their heads. There come these girls, sombrely dressed and garishly dressed the women workers from the sweat shops and factories, drawn irresistibly here where they can give vent to emotions, stifled in the confines of a tenement room. As one watches them file into the meeting one is impressed with their seriousness. They mean business, their faces, stamped with the power of rebellious thought, seem to convey the idea that they want everybody to know that they mean business. One looks in vain for a single happy face; unsmiling their eyes shine with a light of purpose, one feels in the presence of all that is headstrong, needless, bitter—the passion of Tragedy.

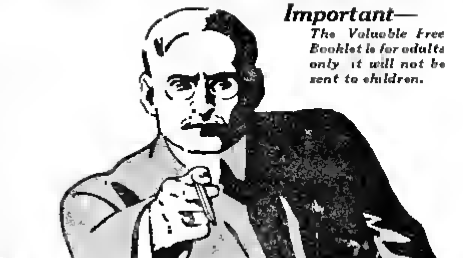
They take their seats quietly. The hum of voices, inevitable on such occasions, ceases. Then one of many tongues—Hungarian, Italian, Spanish, Yiddish, One hears a great deal of Yiddish, indeed it is the predominant note as it is in the cafes of Russian Bolshevism. With a start one sees in the audience those that do not seem a part of it. From out of the drabness of the crowd stand little dressed people, here a middle in the garments of the church, there a coated author, over there a beautifully gowned woman sitting beside a young man who is dressed in the soft white shirt open at the neck.

With the rising of the curtain the audience moves to its feet and to the tune of a once popular Broadway ole. sings:

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which you are
Thus an enlisting of interest to me
If you don't like the red flag of Russia
If you don't like the spirit as it is
Then just be like the ostrich the story
And tick the hand that's robbing you

Into these cheap words they put all their souls and all those bodies. Then one shirt, in dramatic gesture, with outstretched fingers they sing with the passionate enthusiasm of religious fanatics. In the electric recognition of the living Almost with a sigh the curtain rises anew and they settle back into their seats, to test upon a man whom the rising curtain has disclosed upon the platform. He is sitting behind a little wooden table. He is dressed in a greasy black suit, his hair





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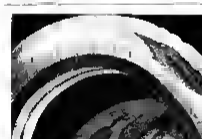
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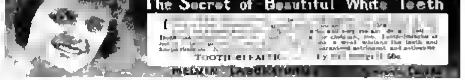
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is shaggy and long a very thin moustache, inky black streaks his heavy upper lip, his face bulging and red, creases in a fleshy smile. Through a pair of thick glasses peep furtive bluish eyes. He closes to let-dance the speakers as the evening and, quite perceptibly, the audience moves forward a little in its seats.

His speech comes with a Yiddish accent, ingratiating, drippy. Very cocefully, after naming the first speaker, he bangs his audience up to the proper pitch, shaking his fist he yells: "We don't want you to throw a bomb. A bomb can't kill enough of them! We want you to attend packed meetings! Like Trotsky led the Russian people to freedom, so will your leaders crush the rich and you will have all the money that they have stolen from you!"

Amid great applause he sits down and the first speaker of the evening an English Bolshevist begins his harangue. He is followed by a Spaniard and then a Russian Jew, a Trotsky agent direct from Petrograd. And their poison seeps into hundreds of souls. About 500 speakers spread the propaganda in New York City alone, about 16,000 persons are active in the movement against our Government; there is no way yet of learning the magnitude of the thousands who are sympathetically thinking of revolt.

At first they used to post their agents outside factories at the hour when men went to work, on street corners during the noon hour and then again when the days work was done. The agents handed out the propaganda pamphlets and news sheets to the workers. This method was broken up by the arrests of the police. The propaganda is now put out by leaving it at night in the vestibules of houses, where fire people whom the agitators believe will be susceptible to its influence. Still another device is now being used. The Fleet, Second and Third elevated railway lines of New York City run through districts where live many people who may be turned into Bolshevik converts. At night the agents sneak their bundles of news sheets away from the Underground Press and between the bouse of two and four in the morning ride up and down in the L trains, throwing the propaganda out of the car windows to the streets below.

Where does the money come from to finance these activities of the Bolsheviki in New York? There was a census current that Lenine and Trotsky directed most of a vast sum of money which they confiscated from the nobility in Russia and sent it to the United States by way of South America for Bolshevist propaganda. This is said to be without foundation. However, in a recent letter written by Trotsky to anarchists in Geneva, he urges his friends to co-operate with a Mme. Grebanoff, who he explains is in Switzerland with several million dollars to carry on Bolshevik propaganda in France, Italy, England and the United States. It is reported that the Lenine-Trotsky régime has appropriated $8,000,000 monthly for propaganda.

Russia has sent us Bolshevik agitators. Three men were to the Argentine and then shipped as members of the crew on steamers bound for New York. In New York while on shore leave they of course deserted. Upon being able to enter our country without passports. In the East Side they were hidden away. A number of Bolsheviki agitators of New York got into the United States this way and worked upon the Russian Jews of New York.

Hobson's Hard Start

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In the meantime, the company had been reorganized and the name changed to the Hamilton Blast Furnace Co. The difficulties which threatened to swamp the venture at the start had thus been overcome one by one. They were not entirely out of the woods of course, for times were very bad indeed and business hard to get. The work that fell on the shoulders of the Secretary Treasurer was enormous but his capacity was equal to the strain. He was and still is, a hard worker.

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The Beginning of Amalgamations

THAT year saw the first of the amalgamations which resulted finally in the present industrial colossus known as the Steel Company of Canada. The Hamilton Blast Furnace Co. joined hands with the Ontario Rolling Mills Co. and the united concern took the name of the Hamilton Steel & Iron Co. Mr. Hobson was made Secretary and Assistant General Manager, the General Manager being C. S. Wilcox who had been in charge of the Rolling Mills. The new company began to make steel two 15-ton Furnaces being erected for the purpose. The company has to-day, by the way, no fewer than 11 furnaces, some of which have a capacity of 70 tons.

Under the new arrangement Mr. Hobson's interest ran most directly to the sales end of the business. Competition was very keen. The Pittsburgh combine had pretty well monopolized the market, except for the business that went down East to the Nova Scotia Iron and Steel Co. It was not, therefore, easy work for the new firm to break in.

Bringing Home the Bacon

THERE is at no time a wide spread in the prices of steel. Quotations from various firms can be depended upon to run very closely together and where there is competition for a big order, the element of personality comes strongly into play. The new steel firm got its first big impetus through a large order secured from the C.P.R. in 1901. Mr. Hobson got the deal through personally.

It was known that the C.P.R. would place an order for the year's supply of angle bars. This was a big order, big enough to get the firm away to a prosperous and busy year. The first step was to make a number of angle bars to the specifications and figure on the production cost. It was found that on attractive price could be quoted so Mr. Hobson boarded the train for Montreal without a day's delay. The next day he saw Alex. Heney, who was handling that branch of the purchasing for the C.P.R. and he took the return train for Hamilton that night with the order in his pocket.

There was jubilation on his return, for Hamilton had been put on the steel map!

The story of the building of the Steel Company of Canada is not the story of Robert Hobson, for a number of men figured in this enterprise as prominently as he did. It is interesting to trace his part, however. The amalgamation was effected in 1910 and he became General Manager and Vice-President Mr. Wilcox being President. In 1916 the latter was made Chairman of the Board, and Mr. Hobson was promoted to the Presidency. Under the leadership the concern is showing rapid steel ies and a future that may be described as bright less Ilse before. An important development has just been completed in the purchase of 1,600 acres in the coal fields of Pennsylvania to control and safeguard the fuel supply of the company.

Landing the Record Order

EVERY executive has an especial fondness for some one branch of the business and as stated before, Mr. Hobson has a hobby in the sales department. He has always been a believer in the gospel of "getting out" for everyone from the President down, and whenever a real opportunity for business arrives he has always been only too glad to clear off his desk and circle out on the trail.

It was decided in 1915 to negotiate for an order of mammoth proportions with the Munitions Board. By building a new open hearth plant it was reckoned that the company could produce 8 2 and 9 2 shells for the War Office in large quantities. Mr. Hobson went down to Ottawa and proposed a contract for eight and a half million dollars!

In doing this, he recognized that he was taking a tremendous chance. The successful carrying out of this huge contract would depend on the speedy building of the new open hearth plant and the successful operation of it after it was built. In order to make sure that the plant could be built and equipped on time he had secured options on machinery and supplies in advance. These cost money and had the deal fallen through a heavy loss would have resulted. The greatest danger lay, however, in the element of doubt which necessarily existed as to the possibility of purchasing on time and profitably. Mr. Hobson was "taking a big chance." Had he failed, his head would have been in the basket.

The deal went through although it took a month to complete it. The Munitions Board was in the transition stage at the time the reorganization under Flavelle not having been completed. Mr. Hobson dealt with Lord Rhondda and Charles Hitchens and for various reasons these representatives of the War Office held off from signing. Mr. Hobson practically lived in Ottawa and on Pullman trains for the month. It was an anxious time for him because the options which he had placed for machinery and supplies were continually lapsing and with the machinery market on the rapid upgrade, each lapse meant an advance in price. Finally, however, the contract had been negotiated to a point where it was satisfactory to the Imperial representatives and the signatures were duly appended. The total was eight and one half million!

Then began a mad scramble to get the plant in shape to start. Many of the contracts were let within a few days of the signing of the order and within a week the work had begun. It was seven months before an actual start could be made but this constitutes a record in building a plant of this description.

The initial order was successfully filled within a year and repeats were secured up to the time of the signing of the armistice as that the company used for war purposes over one half million tons of steel.

Unpreparedness in 1910

ONE of the officials with whom he dealt at Ottawa told him on one occasion of a striking evidence of Britain's unpreparedness for war. They were discussing a certain size of shell which was being made in enormous quantities both in England and Canada at the time.

"The firm I am connected with in a civil capacity," said the official "has an order this year for 750,000 of these shells. Of course these are lots of other orders placed as well. How many shells of that size do you suppose the War Office ordered in 1910? Exactly six hundred!"

In the Staff Lies Success

MR. HOBSON believes that much of the success of the Steel Company of Canada can be traced to the fact that the staff has been very carefully built up and maintained. It is a well-established fact that most men who have scored outstanding successes have achieved their results because of their ability to pick men to work with them. An organization cannot be a one-man concern. In the rush and hurly hurly of modern business a carefully organized staff with not any weak links is an absolute necessity.

Recognizing this, the Steel Company have always paid close attention to the matter of maintaining a strong personnel in all departments. In the operating branches of the business one has been almost without exception been with the company or with one of its component parts for from ten to fifteen years.

Three of the qualities which their men must show to get ahead are loyalty, capacity for hard work and powers of observation. The first two go without saying. After all, a man does not get far anywhere unless he is prepared to work hard and with the utmost loyalty. On the third score, Mr. Hobson lays special stress. He believes that the man who possesses the power to observe and to put into application what he learns in that way cannot be kept down.



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A Short Study of the Idea Gains £1001 Prize

EARLY in 1918 the *English Review* offered a prize of £100 for the best short study of the idea of the League of Nations. The jury, consisting of the Master of Balliol, Lord Parmoor, General Sir Ian Hamilton, Professor Barry, H. G. Wells and John Galsworthy, awarded the prize to H. N. Brailsford, one of the editors of the London *Nation*.

His essay has been described says *Current Opinion* as "by far the best short covenant which has yet been published of what a League of Nations should be and why it is needed."

What we need, writes Mr. Brailsford is a League to restrain lawless forces and to prevent the recurrence of such a conflict as that which has devastated Europe. It must be "an international organization which may ensure that timely changes shall be effected in the world before any people is driven by an intolerable burden to force changes by arms." The new covenant however it is eventually drafted must provide (1) for the submission of all acute international disputes to the appropriate tribunal, namely all an mediation for settlement, (2) for a suspension of all warlike acts, and also of mobilization, until the supernational authority has published its finding, and for some time thereafter, (3) for the joint action of all the signatory Powers to repress any Government by ecclesiastical or military oligarchy if it should violate these pacts. These are tremendous undertakings, Mr. Brailsford concedes. He goes on to say:

"The risk is twofold. Some Powers may break its covenant, and if it has provided itself with all the conflict which results will reproduce the present strife with something of the added bitterness of civil war. Again it is a large assumption that in such a case all the innocent Powers would keep their bond and rally to the defence of the League; and even if in arms they did so, they might not furnish the continental with sufficient gendarmery an almanty. There is no final answer to these doubts. No human institution can promise to work with mathematical perfection, and life would lose half its stimuli if all danger were eliminated. The practical answer to the anarchist is, reasonably, that no human man we avoid these risks and that any other kind of insurance expenditure chosen is a more aggravated form.

"Not sentiment, but an offensive will to make a workable League is in Mr. Brailsford's view the first condition of its creation, and Germany must be included in it. The argument proceeds:

"We live in the passionate moment and programme, guide the spontaneous tribal instincts and the forces of unit thoughts into a single channel. Popular sentiment seems to assume that Germany in the first Power with oh even broke a promise in treaty—if indeed she is not the only Power that ever committed aggression. From those emotional premises there follows the natural conclusion that the shunt if not the only task of a League of Nations will be to mount guard even him in the fairway. In such a spirit the Allies spoke in the Congress of Vienna. After nominating themselves policemen over France they proceeded to sanction their own policy besides at the expense of Poles and Italians and the Congress which met to reminisce, one was made arrangements which amazed a succession of wars. If this narrowly legal and coercive spirit presides over the creation of the League



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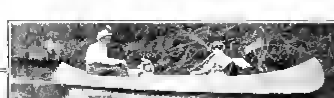
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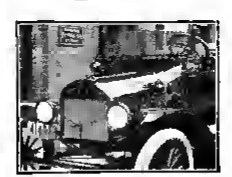
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But they do not disturb the colonies which have only begun to form. Later on there will be thousands where at this time there are but a few in each assemblage. They are content to locate them, making sketch maps that will make easy the problems of finding them months afterward.

It will not be less the record of the Holy Alliance. It is doubtful whether the enemy would aspire to join a League conceived on this model, and if he remains outside it, it may be a great defensive alliance, but it will not be a League of Peace."

Undoubtedly Mr. Brailsford concedes a World League must prepare its coercive apparatus, and cannot neglect the indispensable sanction of co-operative force. Without that, no sense of security could be created, and each power would continue to prepare against future perils by the old technique of the armed peace. We shall build the League ill, however, he asserts, if we attempt to lay its foundations solely upon force. A wise architect will rather attempt to recommend it to every civilized people by the advantage it confers. "It must be a society which assures to its members benefits so indisputable that an civilized power can afford to stay outside it to secede from it or to incur expulsion by its own disloyal conduct." We read further:

The evolution of the two great allied nations during this war is a pointer which indicates what the basis advantages of the League must be. It must prepare to diffuse equitably even the whole world the economic benefits which such combination new proposes to reserve for its own members. Raw materials, including the staple foods have become the pivot of world-politics. If Hanse could rewrite his ode he would speak not of the *auri sacra fames*, but of the hunger for timber, etc. Either we shall distribute the cotton, the metals, the rubber, the wool, the oil and the grain to each according to his need, or we must face a generation of turmoil, intrigue and war to determine their allocation. There is a right to work for nations as for individuals and the new nationalism which would monopolize the materials of industry for one Power on one group of Powers would make a cause for future war, which would enlist the world's no less than the capitalists. In this single expedient we probably have the key to the creation and maintenance of the League. With an international control over the flow of raw materials across frontiers, the League would permit every civilized State in its realm. With the power to stop this flow, it would have a sanction at its command which every State must dread.

We shall be slow to learn the lesson of history. Mr. Brailsford contends unless we perceive by the glare of the recent conflagration the defects of our own morality. "A League of Nations demands from us nothing less than an ascent from the habit of international valuation to the ideal of co-operation." The argument concludes:

"The material expansion of our century had banished mysticism is to tasks for which it was unequipped it with physical powers which its social consciences could not control. We had acquired, as it were, new senses and new limbs, but as we acted with prompt and impetuous force in the fastnesses of the earth, we brought to our new sentiments with multitudinous recesses less than the necessary sympathy. In the internecine feast of this war the Christian Churches have failed and unlike International Socialism they do not even know that they have failed. If the growth of a new morality meant that by taking thought, the lonely individual must add to his mental stature, we might well plead our finitude, and despair. There is inspiration still in the old doctrine of the Fremde Enlightenment that human nature is sufficiently malleable and plastic stuff. The prejudices to use its favorite word, which hampered international co-operation in the past, may never yield to rational reasoning. The evolution on which we may reckon is rather that the new institutions, by setting men in new relations, must fit the old mousetrap their thinking. Let us neglect no chance of giving to the new institutions a visible form, a rallying symbol, a capital, and a social focus. Men will always love "the little platoon to which they belong." It is the function of education to teach them that a "divine tactic of history" has bidden this platoon to keep its set place and perform its ordained evolutions in a great army of comrades."



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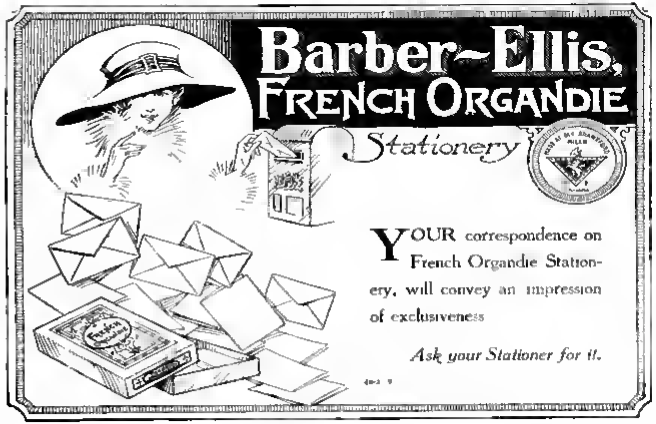
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WOMEN AND THEIR WORK

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Bringing Home the War Brides

By JEAN S. ROBSON

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WHEN Canada began to demobilize and repatriate her citizen army of about 350,000 men who were overseas, when the armistice came, she found she had another army to attend to—one of 50,000 women and children. If you remember in the first years of the war when we all thought peace was only a matter of a few months away, many families of Old Country men who had enlisted in the Canadian forces were encouraged and in some few cases assisted to return to their own people in Great Britain. Many others, some of them see first war bride, followed their husbands across the sea in order to be near them in the none too frequent leave. Nobody apparently was paying much attention to this rapidly increasing colony of Canadian women until the food situation became acute and then it was suggested that none at least of the 35,000 women and children then in England be returned to Canada as quickly as possible and over 22,000 of these have landed at Halifax between April 1st and November 1918.

With the signing of the armistice and the subsequent focussing of public attention on After War problems the bringing home of the remaining 15,000 at a time when the return of the troops demanded all available shipping made it difficult but not too serious situation. However advices from Overseas Department of Militia stated this must be announced that instead of 15,000 the number was much more like 50,000 as for some time Canadian soldiers had been marrying at the rate of 300 a week.

Arrangements were soon made with the Department of Immigration that these women should return accompanied as far as possible by their soldier husbands on special ships to be known as "Dependent Ships." Up to date another 15,000 have returned with reports from Overseas Immigration place the number still to come between twenty and twenty-five thousand.



Soldiers families just off the boat being entertained by nurses at St. John

TO bring 14,000 women and children across the ocean and safely to their destination during winter months when traveling under the most favorable conditions is none too pleasant has been no easy work. With so few ships available there has been little time for repairs between voyages. The majority of experienced stewardesses had gone into war work and were not yet available. On this side the railways reported a shortage of rolling stock and on both sides of the water was the omnipresent "no" adding to the general discomfort. The services of everyone interested were enlisted. This was not only Government work, but a citizen service—part of Canada's unpayable debt to her fighting men.

By very splendid co-operation between the Canadian Government, the Railway War Board organizations such as Canadian Red Cross, Canadian Patriotic Fund, Y.W.C.A., Victorian Order of Nurses, Rotary Clubs, and volunteer groups of willing, energetic citizens everywhere a big piece of the work has already been done and Canada has set a new standard in the reception and care of her incoming citizens.

Much has been written and could still be written of the kindly welcome given by the women of Halifax and St. John when will in continued by the women of Quebec as they meet the boats which dock these during the summer. These women of the port cities are worthy hostesses for Canada. As one little bride said: "It was just as if your own folks were there to meet you."

A chapter could be written on the work of the Red Cross Nurses who accompany each train. One nurse leaving Halifax in charge of a train of women and children found on much sickness on board that she turned the smoker of one car into a clinic where she was kept busy attending to her patients. Another had fifteen bad cases between Montreal and Winnipeg. Hardly a boat comes in but one or more babies have been born during the voyage.

Equally interesting is the story of the different Reception Committees at Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg, Regina, Calgary, Vancouver and other cities and towns. Wives are sent ahead to the committees from the Immigration officials on each train, telling how many need temporary accommodation how many have friends to go to and how many are passing through to other towns. Where accommodation is required the Patriotic Fund provides the first twenty four hours free of charge.

BUT it isn't only on this side that care and attention are given. It starts over in England. At the Canadian Discharge Depot in Buxton the Canadian Y.W.C.A. have an office and on the trains down to Liverpool the women are accompanied by a women official of the Immigration Department and a Y.W.C.A. Secretary. Great was the consternation the other day when a young mother unaccounted that one of her twins was lost. Contrary to all instructions she had placed it in a train and the train had disappeared. After a mad search the missing infant was located by a ready frantic Y.W.C.A. workee in a car on a siding a mile away. The little mother's joy when she found her—Well, it looked like the train for Liverpool. On the long journey and before going aboard there is always tea for the mothers and milk and bran for the children. On the boats there is another woman official of the Immigration Department to give any necessary help and information.

Many rumors have spread as to the desirability or undesirability of Canadian war brides and there have been many legendary stories such as one hundred and fifty brides waiting in Halifax or St. John for recalcitrant Canadian husbands. A few men have brought home wholly unnecessary unwed wives, but only a few. Undoubtedly there have been some undesirables but these have been a very small percentage—there may have been some undesirables among the men who went over. Rash statements have been made by casual observers. It isn't everyone who sees look smiling and attractive after a seven days' trip across the water in winter weather. Your heart aches for some Canadian mother when you see the type of some of the daughters-in-law and it often does again for some fine-fibred English girl caught by the romance of a Canadian uniform or the expected thrill of life in a new country. But by far the general majority are fine healthy women many of them with fine homes to their arms.



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Although most of the questions usually asked of newcomers to Canada by immigration officials at the ports, are not required of soldiers' families still for census purposes a few forms have to be filled in. There is occasionally misunderstanding over this. One woman belligerently announced to the agent at St. John as she refused to answer his questions: "I'm no immigrant, my man fought for the country."

Another woman returning with her family of little children apropos of this same circumstance said: "I was an immigrant when I came out here twelve years ago. Now we own a farm in Saskatchewan and my man went with the First Contingent—believe me I'm no immigrant now, I belong here." As a matter of fact the stumpage of forthcoming and the threatened storm blew over.

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Building Hominess in Your Home

By ETHEL M. CHAPMAN



A bungalow typical of the modern tendency in home building—dignified and individual but friendly looking sort of house.

THE word "home" usually conjures up a house in the country with trees and wide grassy spaces and trees and sunlight inside with walls built solid and snug to stand any weather It means this to the city-dweller who has always lived in an apartment, but who, contemplating the needs of a growing family, looks forward to the day when he will be commuting to a bungalow somewhere out along a car line to the man who thinks he must live close to his work in an office block and pays extortionately it seems for living in other men s houses or to the young man in the small town whose building lots are not sold by the square foot, who is saving against the day when he will need a house of his own.

Perhaps this is why the new homes going up to-day lack the stiff attitude formerly, the effort at display that characterized the houses built in the years when heaven were not taken seriously It may be too why men and women are beginning to consider the building of a home as one of the rest opportunities of a life-time a piece of fine creative work why they are taking the initiative to express in their own homes their ideas of what a home should be. And because a home was primarily intended for shelter and for the privacy of family life the big, imposing houses are being replaced by simple hospitable old colonials and snug livable bungalows with a meaning in every detail.

The bungalow shown here is typical of the modern tendency in home building. It is simple and dignified, with an individual touch that the old-fashioned dormers and porches, and from its sun rooms and many grouped windows it fairly radiates cheerful ness.

The same atmosphere pervades the interior The front door under its little old-fashioned portico opens into a hall, and this might be called the a door to the living room This is the largest and one of the pleasantest rooms at the house Along on one side is a group of three wide windows directly opposite a broad fire place. The first homes were built around the light and warmth of the fire, and they were virtually altars for the protection of something sacred — the modern builder has the same ideal when he puts a fireplace in his house because he knows that an open fire can do more than any other material thing to hold a family together and create an atmosphere at warmth and confidence We might have a bookcase built on one side of the fireplace and a deep corner seat on the other side. Built-in furniture is not only economical in that it saves buying the more expensive separate pieces—it gives a room an air of dignity and permanence it looked as though the house had been built for this particular family, and as though they intended to stay there.

The house has a sun room built on, this gives it three sides open to the light, and having sliding doors which gives a wide opening to the living room this light sun flood right across the house The sun room is planned to be used as a dining-room with the idea that in summer the windows can be screened making it practically a screened porch Some families might prefer to keep the sun-room for a sitting room and to set the dining table in one end of the living-room, which is quite long enough for this. Whatever the arrangement it is a house where there are children the sun room makes an ideal day nursery where a baby can have a comfortable sunny, fresh-air place to sleep, or where children can play in stormy weather

At the other side of the house is a porch and a side door opening into the hall At the left of this door is a smaller room, intended for a den or study The house might be built without the porch or side-door and this room used as a bedroom. In this case the little alcove next to it, fitted with hangers for coats will be found very convenient Back of this is a lavatory the alcove shutting it off from the hall The position at the stairway in the hall is convenient to either entrance as well as to the living-room the den and the kitchen and is placed so that the celling-stairs can run under it and open directly into the kitchen

The kitchen has been planned especially with a view to making the housework as easy as possible The objection might be made at the outset that it is too large but it will be noticed that the working equipment, the sink cupboards, etc., are arranged compactly the dumb waiter is placed at the other end of the kitchen where it will be convenient to the dining-room if it is especially desired to have a pantry, the door between the kitchen and the end of the kitchen taking in the celling floor partitioned off for a pantry With a dumb waiter and a good amount of cupboard room however a pantry scarcely seems necessary The kitchen sink should have some attention It has a short shelf or drainboard at the right for stacking dishes, and a long drainboard at the left, with a cupboard above it. A drainboard should always be at the left of the sink for a right-handed person. This arrangement makes it possible to wash, dry, and put away the dishes without moving the steps

Any upstairs under a bungalow roof, or the upstairs in any one-and-a-half storey building is always a little broken up by the low head-room where the roof comes down to the eaves In this house it will be noticed that the wide dormer in the roof both at the front and the back, overcomes this trouble to a great extent By giving the space in the corners where the roof is low to clothes closets, we have four good-sized bedrooms and a bathroom The position of the bathroom over the kitchen provides that the plumbing of the bathroom kitchen sink and lavatory may have a direct connection with the one soil pipe

A feature which must not be overlooked in a home built with every consideration for the permanent good of the family is the sleeping porch Most people appreciate the benefits of outdoor sleeping especially for a delicate child, or a person recovering from an illness, or one who works indoors all day Whether the house has a place provided for out door sleeping is likely to mean the difference between these benefits and the lack of them For the house built to be a real home is planned with forethought to the health of the family as well as their convenience and comfort and appreciation of beauty and fitness in home architecture





An attractive arrangement of alcoves, grouped windows and built-in window seat

A Living Memorial

By DR. L. EMMETT HOLT

THERE is a demand for some great National Memorial to commemorate the lives of the boys who went to fight for democracy, but who will never come back. The memorial which we suggest for these men is not of brick and mortar, but of flesh and blood and spirit—a living memorial It is one thing which can not be weighed or measured, because it is haunting, because it is composed of millions upon millions of lives of little children—young lives that will be fuller and freer and more joyous and wholesome than they would have been had we not suddenly been awakened through the war to their precious worth. We propose a great Child Health movement which shall set a new standard of health for American children What more fitting memorial could there be for our heroes than that by their deaths they should lift into health countless lives that would otherwise be stunted?

The same patriotism which sent men to die for a democratic ideal is to-day demanding that children be given an opportunity to live that ideal

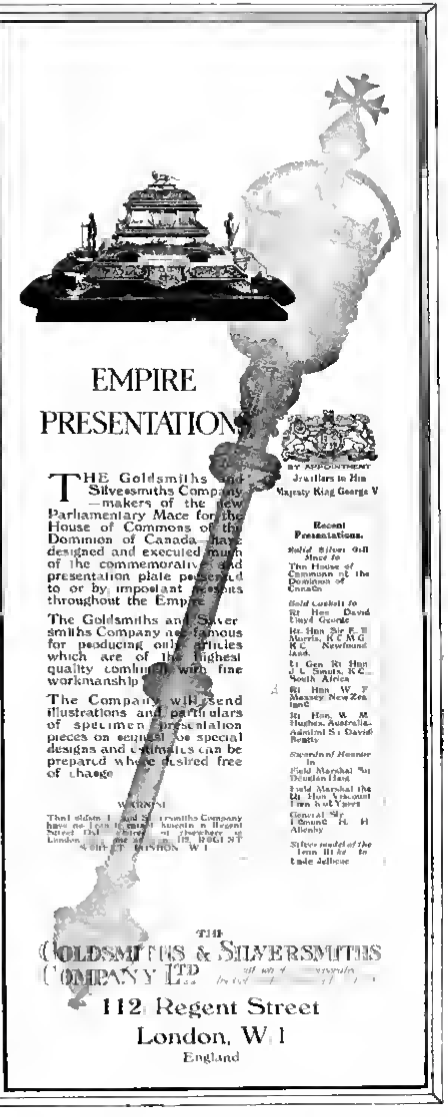
One of the great lessons brought home to us by the war is that health under conditions of modern life is not a thing which will take care of itself The child bred under conditions of civilization can not be relied on to grow to healthy, vigorous maturity like a young chipmunk or rabbit in the woods. He needs special education in health habits, if he is to develop normally. The revelations of the selective draft have brought us up with a start They have revealed us to ourselves, as we really are, not as we imagined ourselves to be We have learned that physically we are not the superb nation that we thought we were. We discovered that approximately one out of three of our young men in the best years of their manhood, was physically unfit to bear arms. The physical defects which incapacitated these men for active service are so common that we have been accustomed to pass them by as of no account.

The bad teeth, the narrow chests, defective vision, feeble hearts, general lack of physical development which prevented these men from doing a man's work in the war had no doubt prevented them from attaining their normal efficiency in time of peace. The amazing thing about the draft revelations, the thing at once bewildering and reassuring, was that most of the physical defects which disqualified one man out of three for active service had been slowly developing from childhood and that they were capable of either prevention or correction

Why then, were they not prevented or corrected? These physically deficient men were our school children of yesterday What was wrong with the schools of yesterday, that without a thought they turned back upon the state boys totally lacking in the fundamental knowledge of how to live—of how to treat their bodies so as to keep them strong and vigorous and fit for the duties of men?

Furthermore the condition of the school children of to-day is exactly what might be expected by anyone acquainted with the draft figures

The new public consciousness in matters of health demands that the indifference which permits such conditions must cease that these unconnected physical defects must be connected that there must exist no available malnutrition among the children of the great countries These young citizens must be in-



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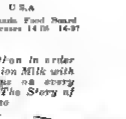
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When the news of the outbreak of war arrives Barry Dunbar has just resigned the ministry of a little village in Alberta because his parishioners found him a dull preacher and a poor mixer. He attempts to join the ranks but is rejected on physically unfit and urged to take up an chaplain. These fellows a hard struggle to reach the hearts of his men. This is uphill work for Barry is a mere boy, very much in earnest, but totally inexperienced and at the start antagonizes his men by finding fault with their vocabulary and by jealousy and their moral duties to his superior officers and in fact by putting on generally gives the impression that he is a first-class prig, whereas a somewhat restricted mental outlook and an over sensitive conscience are his only real drawbacks. By the time the regiment reaches France Barry has proved his grit and to some extent won the confidence of his men. Here he learns to discard his attitude of spiritual pedestal man and learns too that human sympathy and understanding are the real sine qua non of a good Pilot and, by showing a full measure of both finally wins his way.

There is a glowing account of Western Canada's response to the call to arms, of ranchers, cowmen, lumber jacks, men of every calling pouring into the cities and literally fighting for places in the recruiting lines in order to join the first contingent. Then come the more grim scenes of war—shell-swept roads, hospital and trench. And here in a dark hour appears Phyllis the little English V. A. D. who furnishes the necessary romance. Though some of the characters fail to convince, the pictures of war are vivid and moving.

FICTION

Thin Web Frederick Arnold Kummer (McClelland & Stewart, Toronto $1.50). A spy story of which the scenes are laid in England and Germany during the war.

The Man From the Clouds. Storer Clouston. (Wm. Briggs, Toronto $1.50). Tells of a mystery of which the scene is laid on one of the islands off the north of Scotland.

The Twenty-Six Clans. Isabel Ostrander. (Geo. J. McLeod, Toronto $1.50). Concerns a crime surrounded with mystery, the solving of which baffles the most famous detectives.

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Wild Youth and Another. Sir Gilbert Parker. (The Copp Clark Co., Toronto $1.50). A romance dealing with a young wife on an old husband and another. In this novel the author sets forth the law of the love of youth for youth.

Reckoning Roads. Jeanne Judson. (McClelland & Stewart, Toronto $1.50). Tells of the eventful career of ranch bred Marquita Shoy who, after an impulsive marriage, mingles in New York Society and finally attains meteoric success as a financier.

The Secret City. Hugh Walpole. (McClelland & Stewart, Toronto, $1.60). A novel that is not concerned with the outward manifestations of war but with "the dark forest of the hearts of men." It tells of Petrograd at the time of the coming and the burning of the Revolution.

The Avalanche. Gertrude Atherton. (McClelland & Stewart, Toronto, $1.35). A novel of California society dealing with a young and beautiful woman involved in a deep mystery and of the straightening out of the tangle through the efforts of her husband.

Taken Like Ghosts. Frederic S. Isham. (Geo. J. McLeod, Toronto, $1.40). The son of an American millionaire the son of an English lord, and a Cockney after escaping from a German prison camp arrive in London to find that they are officially dead, which gives rise to all kinds of complications for each of them.

Investment Situation

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operations, however, no matter how lucrative they may turn out to be, the outsider cannot rank as a "safe investment." They must be classed only particularly of course the newer ones, as "risks." In such cases information is supplied and the inquirer left to draw his own conclusions.

In almost the same class stands an inquiry I received during the month as to a new concern for the manufacture of sewing machines. So much depends on the men behind it the type of machine they are to build, the methods of distribution and so on, that from a mere prospectus one could not judge safely. Information was supplied—from the firm itself and from others—but here again the risk was too great to warrant definite advice.

Another inquiry came in regard to Port Coquitlam, B. C. bonds, also Greater Winnipeg Waterworks bonds. The figures of the former municipality were supplied but the conclusion drawn was that they were not very encouraging from an investment standpoint just at the present time. The Greater Winnipeg issue, it was pointed out, is covered by taxes levied by the district and rank equally with all taxes raised for other municipal purposes; "thus, they take rank pretty nearly on an equality with City of Winnipeg bonds, which are regarded as a high-class Canadian municipal security.

Business Outlook

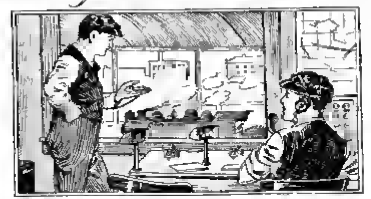
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almost universally abandoned. Men expect a readjustment but they know now that it will be gradual. Some are declaring now that prices will never go down; that wages are bound to remain up and that therefore, the average of prices will not lower.

It seems clear that all that is needed is optimism. If the men of Canada—business men, manufacturers, mechanics, professional men—will refuse to see any reason for fear of the future the prosperity of Canada will continue. To hesitate now, to draw in, to hoard, would be to bring about a condition that their policy anticipates. The better policy, to assume that we can "carry on" in the present, to feel the only policy at the present time. At the first battle of the Marne Foch was faced at the stage with a condition that seemed well nigh desperate. His wings were beaten in and his centre, while still desperately struggling, sent word that they could not hold out much longer. He had no reserves. "Then," said Foch, "I shall attack."

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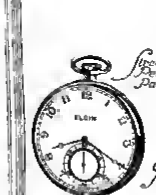
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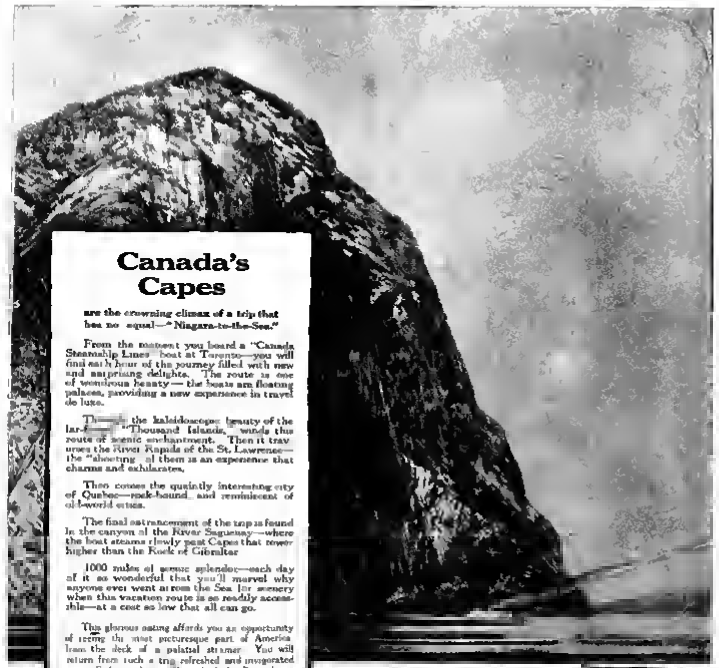


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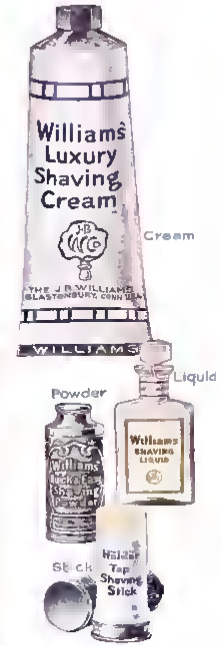
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